

Phoenix Police Department

Public Affairs Bureau 620 West Washington Street, Phoenix, Arizona 85003



MEDIA ADVISORY

Date/Time: September 10, 2023 at about 7:36 p.m.

Incident: 2023-1382865

Location: 1600 North 7th Street

Victim: Magellan Rutaneahwa, 49-year-old male, deceased

Late Evening Hit and Run Leaves Man Dead

(September 11, 2023) Phoenix Police detectives are searching for a vehicle involved in a hit and run collision that left a man dead.

On September 10, 2023, at about 7:30 p.m., officers responded to 7th Street and McDowell Road regarding a collision involving a pedestrian. When officers arrived, they located the adult male pedestrian, identified as 49-year-old Magellan Rutaneahwa, with serious injuries. Phoenix fire personnel attempted life saving measures, but Rutaneahwa did not survive his injuries and was pronounced deceased on scene. The vehicle involved in the collision took off from the scene.

Detectives responded to take over the investigation. Preliminary information suggests Rutaneahwa was crossing 7th Street, against the light, when he was struck by a vehicle traveling northbound on 7th Street. Speed appears to be a factor in the collision. Anyone with information is asked to call Silent Witness at 480(WITNESS) or 480(TESTIGO) and provide an anonymous tip. Rewards will be paid for information leading to an arrest in this case.

Sergeant Rob Scherer Public Affairs Bureau