



**Phoenix Police Department**  
**Public Affairs Bureau**  
620 West Washington Street, Phoenix, Arizona 85003



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# **MEDIA ADVISORY**

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**Date/Time:** February 25, 2024, around 1:25 a.m.  
**Incident:** 2024-280653  
**Location:** 25200 North 43<sup>rd</sup> Avenue  
**Victim:** Ryley Young, 16-year-old, deceased

## **Early Morning Collision Leaves Teen Dead and Teen Hospitalized**

(February 25, 2024) Phoenix Police detectives are investigating an overnight single vehicle collision that left one teenager dead and another in the hospital.

On February 25, 2024, around 1:30 a.m., officers responded to the area of 43<sup>rd</sup> Avenue and Happy Valley Road regarding a collision where a vehicle struck a tree. When officers arrived, they located the single vehicle involved and the two occupants, both teenaged males. Both teens were transported to local hospitals with serious injuries. The driver remains in the hospital and is in critical condition. The passenger, identified as 16-year-old Ryley Young, did not survive his injuries and was pronounced deceased at the hospital.

Detectives responded to take over the investigation. Preliminary information suggests that vehicle involved was driving southbound on 43<sup>rd</sup> Avenue approaching Happy Valley Road when it lost control striking a curb causing the vehicle to roll until it collided with a nearby tree. Additional details about the collision remain part of the ongoing investigation.

*Sergeant Rob Scherer*  
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