



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



MEDIA ADVISORY

Date/Time: October 26, 2024, around 5:53 a.m.
Incident: 2024-1580239
Location: 5800 West Encanto Boulevard
Victim: Aquileo Najera, 51-year-old, deceased
Suspect: Jesus Enrique Renteria Arroyo, 19-year-old, Booked MCSO #G136907

Hit and Run Collision Leaves One Man Dead Another in Jail

(October 26, 2024) Phoenix Police detectives are investigating an early morning hit and run collision that resulted in the death of one man and another being booked on multiple charges.

On October 26, 2024, around 6:00 a.m., officers responded to the area of 58th Drive and Encanto Boulevard regarding a collision that resulted in injuries. As officers were responding they learned that a driver of one of the vehicles involved had run away from the scene. When officers got to the scene, they located the other driver, identified as 51-year-old Aquileo Najera, with serious injuries. Fire arrived and life saving measures were attempted, however Najera did not survive his injuries and was pronounced deceased on scene.

Officers began to follow up on leads regarding the driver that left. This led to 19-year-old Jesus Enrique Renteria Arroyo being identified as the driver that ran from the scene. Renteria Arroyo was located at a nearby residence and arrested.

Detectives responded to take over the investigation. Preliminary information suggests that the vehicle driven by Renteria Arroyo was southbound on 58th Drive at a high rate of speed when it ran the stop sign at Encanto Boulevard striking the vehicle driven by Najera, which was traveling eastbound on Encanto Boulevard. While in custody, Renteria Arroyo made admissions to being impaired. He was processed for DUI and subsequently booked into jail on multiple counts of DUI, along with manslaughter and leaving the scene of an accident that resulted in death or serious physical injury. Additional details about the collision remain part of the ongoing investigation.

Sergeant Rob Scherer
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