



**Phoenix Police Department**  
**Public Affairs Bureau**  
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# **MEDIA ADVISORY**

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**Date/Time:** October 12, 2024, at about 1:49 a.m.  
**Incident:** 2024-1506222  
**Location:** 2300 West Northern Avenue  
**Victim:** Christopher Rhinehart, 38-year-old, deceased

## **Investigators Locate Fatal Hit & Run Suspect**

(October 12, 2024) Throughout the early morning, detectives worked fast to locate the suspect in a fatal hit and run incident. However, no arrest was made due to circumstances related to this incident.

At about 1:49 a.m., on October 12, 2024, patrol officers were called to a collision involving a pedestrian seen walking and rolling around in the street. Once officers got to the area of 23<sup>rd</sup> Avenue and Northern Avenue, they located 38-year-old Christopher Rhinehart suffering from critical injuries related to a collision. Rhinehart was taken to the hospital where he was not able to survive his injuries. He was pronounced deceased by hospital staff.

Detectives responded and began to collect evidence at the scene. It was learned that Rhinehart was seen walking and rolling around in the roadway when he was hit by a passing car. Detectives worked quickly with Desert Horizon Real Time Operations Center and located the suspect at his residence. After gathering the witness' statements and interviewing the suspected driver of the hit and run car, no arrest was made. No signs of intoxication were observed. This investigation is ongoing. Any charging will be determined after the reconstruction of this collision.

*Sergeant Brian Bower*  
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