

## **Phoenix Police Department**

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



## MEDIA ADVISORY

Date/Time: March 1, 2022, at about 2:10 p.m.

Incident: 2022-322588

Location: 35<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Thunderbird Road

Victims: Aron Heeley, 17 year-old-male, deceased Payton Sharp, 17 year-old-male, deceased

## Fatal Traffic Collision Investigation

Phoenix, Arizona (March 1, 2022): Fatal traffic collision involving two teenage males.

Phoenix Police responded to a traffic collision at 35<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Thunderbird Road. When the officers arrived, they learned a red passenger vehicle was speeding through the intersection and sideswiped another white passenger vehicle that was traveling in the same direction. The driver of the red vehicle lost control, crashed into an electrical pole, and then into a block wall.

There were three people inside the red passenger vehicle; Aron Heeley, Payton Sharpe, and an adult male. Aron and Payton were pronounced deceased on scene by the fire department. The adult male was transported to a nearby hospital with non-life-threatening injuries.

The driver and passenger of the white vehicle remained on scene and did not suffer any injuries. Due to the damage to the electrical pole some residents experienced a temporary power outage which was restored. At this time, the traffic collision remains under investigation.