

Phoenix Police Department

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



MEDIA ADVISORY

Date/Time: December 26, 2022 at about 7:32 p.m.

Incident: 2022-1919072

Location: 67th Avenue and El Cortez Place
Victim: Ruben Garcia, 61-year-old, deceased

Victim: Adult female, serious injury
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UPDATE: December 27, 2022

The victim has been identified as 61-year-old Ruben Garcia.

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Fatal Collision

(December 27, 2022) Phoenix police detectives responded to 67th Avenue and El Cortez Place to investigate a collision that left one man dead and three others seriously injured.

Yesterday, just after 7:30 p.m. on December 26, 2022, Phoenix police responded to a call of a vehicle collision near 67th Avenue and El Cortez Place. Two vehicles were involved in the crash. Each vehicle had a passenger. Both drivers and their passengers were transported to the hospital with serious injury. The driver of one of the vehicles was pronounced deceased at the hospital.

Detectives responded to take over the investigation. Preliminary information indicates a vehicle driven by an adult man with an adult male passenger attempted to make a left turn from El Cortez Place onto 67th Avenue. A vehicle driven by an adult man with an adult female passenger were going south on 67th Avenue and collided into the vehicle attempting to make a left turn. Impairment is unknown.

Further details about the crash remain under investigation.

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