



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



MEDIA ADVISORY

Date/Time: October 20, 2025, at about 7:28 p.m.
Incident: 2025-1529450
Location: 5100 West McDowell Road
Victim: Chad Bratcher, 49-year-old man, deceased

Pedestrian Dies in Evening Crash

(October 21, 2025) Detectives are investigating a fatal collision involving a pedestrian.

On the evening of October 20th, around 7:28 p.m., officers responded to a report of a crash near 51st Avenue and West McDowell Road. When officers arrived, they located an adult man, later identified as Chad Bratcher who had life-threatening injuries. He was transported to a local hospital by Phoenix Fire personnel, where he did not survive his injuries and died. The driver of the pick-up truck that hit him stayed at the scene.

Detectives from the Vehicular Crimes Unit responded to take over the investigation and process the scene. Preliminary information suggests that Bratcher was crossing West McDowell Road mid-block when he was hit by a truck driving westbound. At this time, impairment does not appear to be a factor in this crash. Any additional details are part of the on-going investigation.

Sergeant Jen Zak
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