

Phoenix Police Department

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



MEDIA ADVISORY

Date/Time: January 1, 2025, at about 1:18 p.m.

Incident: 2025-3194

Location: 1600 East Van Buren Street

Victim: Jesus Tapia-Serrano, 38-year-old, deceased

Man Dies in Single Vehicle Crash

(January 1, 2025) Detectives investigate circumstances that lead to a fatal crash that closed all traffic at 16th Street and Van Buren Street on New Year's Day.

At about 1:18 p.m., officers responded to a single vehicle collision at 1600 West Van Buren Street. Phoenix Fire employees also responded and took an adult male driver to the hospital where he was not able to overcome his injuries and died.

Detectives responded to the scene and took over the investigation. It was learned that 38-year-old victim, Jesus Tapia-Serrano, was driving west on Van Buren Street when he lost control of the car. He was seen driving into oncoming traffic and crashing into a pole on the south side of Van Buren Street, which resulted in his car landing on its roof.

Sergeant Brian Bower Public Affairs Bureau