



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



MEDIA ADVISORY

Date/Time: May 15, 2021 at about 2:00 a.m.
Incident: 2021-754028
Location: 71st Avenue and Catalina Drive
Victim: 33 year-old Adult male, Xavier Cantu - Deceased
Suspect: Unknown

Fatal Hit and Run Traffic Collision

On May 15, 2021, at about 2:00 a.m., Phoenix Police responded to a serious vehicle collision in the area of 71st Avenue and Thomas Road. Officers learned a Ford Explorer was northbound on 71st Avenue at a high rate of speed when it collided with a Cadillac sedan that was westbound on Catalina Drive. The occupants of the Ford Explorer fled on foot prior to police arrival. The adult male driver of the Cadillac was transported in critical condition and later pronounced deceased at a local hospital. The adult female passenger of the Cadillac was uninjured.

Impairment by either driver is unknown at this time. This investigation is ongoing.

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