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FATAL MOTORCYCLE COLLISION 3000 EAST VALENCIA ROAD

On April 26, 2016, at approximately 8:10 a.m., officers from Operations Division South responded to the area of 3000 East Valencia Road for a report of a motorcycle collision with serious injuries. Upon arrival, officers located a motorcyclist in the roadway with citizens rendering first-aid. Tucson Fire responded to continue aid, however the motorcyclist was pronounced deceased on scene shortly after their arrival.

Detectives from the Tucson Police Department’s Traffic Investigations Unit responded to continue the investigation. They were able to determine that a 2008 Yamaha Sport Motorcycle was traveling eastbound on East Valencia Road at a high rate of speed. Witnesses saw the motorcyclist switching lanes and passing multiple vehicles along Valencia. As the motorcyclist was approaching 3000 East Valencia Road, a 2002 Peter Built Garbage Truck pulled out of a parking lot on the south side of the road. As the truck was attempting to make a left turn, the motorcyclist collided with the side of the truck.

No citations were issued at the scene. Detectives are continuing the investigation, but believe speed was a contributing factor in the collision.

The motorcyclist has been identified as 23-year-old **Juan Manuel Mosqueira**. Next of kin have been notified. Mr. Mosqueira was wearing a helmet at the time of the incident.

Fatalities Year-To-Date:

<u>For 2015 - 19</u>	<u>For 2016 - 14</u>
Pedestrian – 4	Pedestrian - 2
Bicycle - 1	Bicycle - 0
Motorcycle - 3	Motorcycle - 4

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