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FATAL MOTORCYCLE COLLISION SOUTH ALVERNON WAY AND EAST JUAREZ STREET

On September 1, 2013, at 8:35 p.m., officers from Operations Division Midtown responded to a report of a vehicle collision involving a motorcycle in the area of South Alvernon Way and East Juarez Street. Upon arrival, officers located a motorcyclist with life-threatening injuries as a result of a collision. He was transported to a local area hospital but was pronounced deceased several hours after his arrival. The driver of the vehicle involved in the collision was not injured.

Detectives from the Traffic Investigations Unit responded to continue the investigation. They determined that a 2005 Pontiac Grand Am exited a private drive onto northbound Alvernon Way then pulled into the left turn lane at Juarez Street. A 2006 Honda FXX motorcycle was traveling southbound in the center lane of Alvernon Way. The Pontiac made a u-turn in front of the motorcycle and the collision occurred. The operator of the motorcycle was not wearing a helmet. According to witnesses, the motorcycle was traveling at approximately the posted speed limit.

The operator of the motorcycle was identified as 63-year old John Howard. Next of kin have been notified. The driver of the Pontiac, a 16-year old female, was charged with 1 count of Causing Serious Injury or Death by a Moving Violation, a misdemeanor offense.

Fatalities year to date:

For 2012 – 26

5 Pedestrian
1 Bicycle
5 Motorcycle

For 2013 – 28

12 Pedestrian
1 Bicycle
4 Motorcycle

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