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## NEWS RELEASE

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### FATAL MOTORCYCLE COLLISION EAST 22<sup>ND</sup> STREET AND SOUTH FORDHAM DRIVE

The Tucson Police Department is actively investigating a fatal motorcycle collision that occurred this afternoon on Tucson's East Side.

On November 24, 2018, just before 2:00 p.m., officers from Operations Division East and members of the Tucson Fire Department were dispatched to the intersection of East 22<sup>nd</sup> Street and South Fordham Drive for a report of a serious injury collision. Upon arrival, an adult male motorcyclist was found unresponsive on the ground. Tucson Fire transported the victim to Banner University Medical Center with life threatening injuries. Shortly after arrival, the victim succumbed to his injuries and was sadly pronounced deceased. He was identified as **66-year-old Stephen Florio**. Next of kin have been notified.

Detectives with the Tucson Police Traffic Investigations Unit responded to further the investigation. After examining roadway evidence and speaking with witnesses, they were able to determine that Mr. Florio was riding his 1987 Harley Davidson westbound on 22<sup>nd</sup> Street in the curb lane. As he approached South Fordham Drive, the driver of a 2010 Toyota Corolla crossed northbound in front of him. It appears Mr. Florio attempted to stop and then laid the motorcycle down on the left side. Mr. Florio and the motorcycle then collided with the front passenger side of the Toyota Corolla. The 16-year-old driver of the Corolla immediately pulled over and stopped. He remained on scene and cooperated with the investigation. The driver and his three teenage passengers were not injured. Neither speed nor impairments appear to be factors. Mr. Florio was wearing a helmet at the time of the collision.

Detectives are continuing their investigation. No charges or citations were issued as of today's date. Additional details will be released as they become available.

#### **Fatalities Year-To-Date:**

For 2017 - 55  
Pedestrian - 24  
Bicycle - 1  
Motorcycle - 11

For 2018 - 65  
Pedestrian - 28  
Bicycle - 4  
Motorcycle - 7

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