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FATAL VEHICLE COLLISION 2080 WEST SPEEDWAY BOULEVARD

*****UPDATE – OCTOBER 16, 2017*****

The driver has been identified as **18-year-old Ernesto Contreras**. His next of kin has been notified. In addition, the remaining two females have been located and interviewed. They sustained minor injuries.

The investigation is ongoing.

Sergeant Kimberly Bay – October 16, 2017

On October 15, 2017, shortly before 5:15 a.m., officers from Operations Division West and members from the Tucson Fire Department responded to a report of a single vehicle collision in 2000 block of W. Speedway Blvd. Upon arrival, they located an adult male with obvious injuries. He was pronounced deceased on scene. His identity is being withheld, pending next of kin notification. Officers were also advised approximately three to four others associated with the vehicle fled prior to police arrival.

Detectives from the Tucson Police Department Traffic Investigations Unit responded to the scene to continue the investigation. They were able to determine that a white 1998 Pontiac Grand Prix was eastbound on Speedway Blvd. at a high rate of speed. The driver lost control of the vehicle and veered into the desert area on the south side of Speedway Blvd. The vehicle struck several trees and brush before rolling over and landing on the roof. The driver was ejected from the vehicle and was pronounced deceased on scene. The other occupants were picked up by another vehicle and left the scene. One adult male and one adult female have since been located and sustained minor injuries. Two females remain outstanding with unknown injuries. Speed and alcohol appear to be factors in this collision.

The investigation is ongoing. Detectives are asking anyone with information to please call 88-CRIME.

Fatalities Year-To-Date:

For 2016 - 43

For 2017 - 53

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Pedestrian - 11
Bicycle - 4
Motorcycle - 9

Pedestrian - 24
Bicycle - 1
Motorcycle - 10

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