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### FATAL VEHICLE COLLISION NORTH CASTRO AVENUE AND WEST GLENN STREET

**\*\*\*UPDATE – DECEMBER 25, 2016\*\*\***

On December 25, 2016 the driver of the gold Honda was released from the hospital. He has been identified as 27-year-old Johnny Angel Gomez. He was arrested for the following charges:

- Manslaughter – Class 2 Felony
- Aggravated Assault with a Deadly Weapon (7 Counts) – Class 2 Felony
- Aggravated Assault with Serious Injury (7 Counts) – Class 3 Felony
- Unlawful Use of Means of Transportation – Class 3 Felony
- Criminal Damage Over \$10,000 - Class 4 Felony

Mr. Gomez was transported and booked into the Pima County Jail. A booking photograph has been provided.



**Johnny Angel Gomez**

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**Sergeant Kimberly Bay – December 25, 2016**

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On December 23, 2016, around 11:15 p.m., officers from Operations Division West responded to a serious injury collision involving two vehicles at N. Castro Ave. and W. Glenn St. Upon arrival, officers located multiple people with various injuries inside the vehicles. The officers immediately summoned paramedics from the Tucson Fire Department. All nine occupants of the two vehicles were transported to Banner University Medical Center with minor to serious injuries.

Detectives from the Tucson Police Department Traffic Investigations Unit responded to the scene to further the investigation. They learned the driver of a gold 1991 Honda Accord was northbound on Castro Ave. from W. Alturas St. at a high rate of speed and passed a marked Tucson Police Department vehicle traveling southbound on Castro Ave. The officer made a U-turn on Castro Ave. but lost sight of the Honda. The officer requested additional officers and the Air Unit to assist in locating the vehicle. The officer continued northbound on Castro Ave. and observed the Honda had collided with a blue 2005 Chevrolet Equinox at W. Glenn St. Multiple citizens were on scene assisting and the officers immediately began rendering aid until paramedic arrival.

The detectives learned the driver of the Honda continued northbound on Castro Ave. at a high rate of speed after passing the patrol officer. The driver then passed a vehicle on the left that was stopped for a stop sign at W. Glenn St., failed to stop for the stop sign and struck the Equinox that was traveling westbound on Glenn St. on the driver's side. The force of the collision pushed the Equinox through a block wall and into an unoccupied residence. The Honda landed on its side and was pushed back on its tires by citizens prior to police arrival. The Honda had been reported stolen to the Tucson Police Department on December 18, 2016.

The adult female driver of the Equinox sustained serious injuries. An adult female passenger, two adult male passengers and a 2-year-old child sustained minor injuries. The adult male driver of the Honda, his adult female passenger and another adult male passenger sustained serious injuries. Another adult male passenger in the Honda sustained critical injuries. Speed was a factor in this collision. The investigation is ongoing to determine if drugs and/or alcohol were also a factor.

On December 24, 2016, the critically injured passenger in the Honda succumbed to his injuries and was pronounced deceased. He has been identified as 40-year-old William Childers. Next of kin have been notified.

The driver of the Honda is facing multiple felony charges pending his release from the hospital. The investigation is ongoing and additional information will be released as it becomes available.



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### Fatalities Year-To-Date:

For 2015 - 52

Pedestrian - 13

Bicycle - 4

Motorcycle - 6

For 2016 - 51

Pedestrian - 15

Bicycle - 4

Motorcycle - 10