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### TRAFFIC FATALITY 2200 BLOCK OF WEST ANKLAM ROAD

On October 24, 2018, the Tucson Police Traffic Investigations Unit received information that an adult male had passed away after sustaining injuries from falling out of a moving vehicle on October 20, 2018. The adult male was identified as **30-year-old Robert A. Robles**. Next of kin were with him when he passed.

Detectives responded to the hospital and interviewed family members. They learned that Mr. Robles had been taken to the hospital by his girlfriend on the morning of the incident. Detectives located Mr. Robles' girlfriend and the vehicle involved. After searching the vehicle and conducting interviews, detectives determined that on October 20, 2018, at approximately 2:30 a.m. Mr. Robles and his girlfriend were driving home from a local bar after attending an earlier wedding. Mr. Robles' girlfriend said both of them had been drinking. Mr. Robles was a front seat passenger in the vehicle being driven by his girlfriend. For unknown reasons, Mr. Robles exited the vehicle as it was traveling at approximately 40 mph in the 2200 block of West Anklam Road. Mr. Robles' girlfriend stopped the vehicle and found him lying in the roadway. He sustained injuries to the back of his head, along with abrasions to his back and shoulders. Two motorists stopped and helped place Mr. Robles into the back seat of his girlfriend's vehicle. She then drove him to St. Mary's Hospital, where he was later transported to Banner University Medical Center. Doctors at the hospital determined Mr. Robles had a non-survivable brain injury.

The police were not notified of the incident until the day Mr. Robles passed away. Due to the delay in reporting the incident, detectives were not able to determine the level of impairment on Mr. Robles' girlfriend. The level of Mr. Robles' impairment will be determined through medical records. The investigation is ongoing. Additional details will be released as they become available. At this time, no arrests or citations have been issued. Anyone with information about this incident is asked to call 88-CRIME. You can remain anonymous.

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

For 2017 - 54  
Pedestrian - 24  
Bicycle - 1  
Motorcycle - 11

For 2018 - 61  
Pedestrian - 26  
Bicycle - 4  
Motorcycle - 6