



**Phoenix Police Department**  
**Public Affairs Bureau**  
620 West Washington Street, Phoenix, Arizona 85003



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# MEDIA ADVISORY

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**Date/Time:** February 11, 2022 around 7:45 a.m.  
**Incident:** 2022-268218  
**Location:** 3800 North 19<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
**Victim:** Hector Ruiz-Verdoza, 17 year old male, deceased

## **Fatal Collision**

Phoenix police are investigating a fatal collision that occurred in the area of 3800 North 19<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

Officers were called to the area and learned that a black sedan, operated by Hector Ruiz-Verdoza , was traveling southbound on 19<sup>th</sup> Avenue when it struck a gold sedan that had just made a turn to travel southbound from a side street. The force from this initial collision caused the black sedan to strike a maroon SUV that was stopped at a light, facing northbound. Mr. Ruiz-Verdoza died from his injuries on scene. A passenger from the black sedan, and the driver of the maroon SUV were transported to a local hospital with non-life threatening injuries.

All parties remained on scene, and impairment is not suspected in this incident.