



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



MEDIA ADVISORY

Date/Time: December 14, 2023, around 4:52 p.m.
Incident: 2023-1877351
Location: 1300 East Thunderbird Road
Victim: Katerina Penrose, 31-year-old, deceased

Early Evening Collision Leaves Motorcycle Rider Dead

(December 14, 2023) Phoenix Police detectives are investigating a north valley hit and run collision that left a motorcycle rider dead.

On December 14, 2023, around 5:00 p.m., officers responded to the area of 13th Street and Thunderbird Road regarding a collision involving a motorcycle. When officers arrived, they located the adult female motorcycle rider, identified as 31-year-old Katerina Penrose, with serious injuries. Penrose was transported to a local hospital where she was pronounced deceased. The other vehicle involved in the collision took off from the area prior to police arrival and remains outstanding.

Detectives responded to take over the investigation. Preliminary information suggests that Penrose was westbound on Thunderbird Road when an unknown vehicle turned left in front of her, causing her to take evasive maneuvers resulting in the collision. All other details about what led up to the collision will be determined through the accident reconstruction process.

Anyone with information related to this collision is asked to call Silent Witness at 480(WITNESS) or 480(TESTIGO) and provide an anonymous tip. Rewards will be paid for information leading to an arrest in this case.

Sergeant Rob Scherer
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