



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



MEDIA ADVISORY

Date/Time: April 9, 2023 at about 3:07 a.m.
Incident: 2023-527756
Location: 15th Avenue and Peoria Avenue
Victim: Matthew Heard, 46-year-old, deceased

Collision Leaves Man Dead

(April 9, 2023) Phoenix police detectives are investigating an early morning collision that left a man dead.

On April 9, just after 3:00 a.m. officers responded to a call of a two-vehicle collision near 15th Avenue and Peoria Avenue. Two adult passengers inside a pickup truck were transported to the hospital with minor injuries. The driver of the other vehicle, identified as 46-year-old Matthew Heard, was transported to the hospital where he later died.

Detectives responded to take over the investigation. Early information indicates Heard was driving east on Peoria Avenue and veered into oncoming westbound lanes and struck a pickup truck. The driver of the truck showed signs and symptoms of impairment. He was processed for DUI, cited, and released.

Sergeant Melissa Soliz
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