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Glendale Police Investigate Officer-Involved Fatal Collision

Glendale, Ariz. – On January 12, 2019 at approximately 9:51PM, a Glendale Police Officer was traveling northwest bound on Grand Ave and was stopped for a red traffic signal waiting to turn westbound onto W. Myrtle Ave. The left turn traffic arrows on Grand Ave turned green for both northwest and southeast traffic. The officer began making the turn onto W. Myrtle as a motorcyclist traveling in the opposite direction began going straight ahead, southeast bound on Grand Ave, in front of the Glendale Police vehicle. The vehicles collided in the intersection. The officer radioed in the accident and used his trauma kit to treat the motorcyclist who was wearing a full-face helmet. Glendale Fire arrived on scene and took over immediate medical treatment and the motorcyclist was transported to a local valley hospital with life threatening injuries.

The motorcyclist did not survive his injuries and was pronounced deceased at the hospital. He was identified as Edward Steven Sanchez, a 41-year-old Glendale resident. The Glendale Police Officer is a 4-year veteran of the department. He did not sustain any injuries from the collision.

Glendale Police Vehicular Crimes Detectives have responded to the scene and assumed the investigation, which is ongoing. There are no indications at this time that the officer was responding with lights and/or sirens activated and the cause of the collision is still under investigation.

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