

SANTA CRUZ POLICE DEPARTMENT 155 Center Street, Santa Cruz, CA 95060

MEDIA RELEASE



<u>DATE/TIME</u>: November 16, 2016 <u>LOCATION</u>: 300 Block of Front Street

INFORMATION:

On Tuesday November 15, 2016 at around 8:34p.m., the Santa Cruz Police Department responded to the 300 block of Front Street near Laurel Street for a fatal traffic collision involving a pedestrian and car.

Officers found the pedestrian lying in the roadway northbound on Front Street. The driver of the vehicle, a blue Toyota RAV, pulled over and remained at the accident site. The pedestrian, a 58 year old man from Santa Cruz was pronounced deceased by medical personnel.

The driver of the Toyota RAV is a 25 year old woman from Mountain View. The preliminary investigation indicates that the pedestrian was running westbound across Front Street when he was struck by the RAV traveling southbound. The pedestrian was not in a crosswalk when he ran across the street. Witnesses also described the man as looking southbound when he darted in front of a large white truck. He was not looking towards the oncoming traffic.

The driver remained at the scene and has been cooperative with investigators. The driver was not arrested or cited. Investigators are still examining evidence and gathering information.

The release of the pedestrian's name is pending notification to the family.

The Santa Cruz Police Department is asking anyone with information or who may have witnessed this collision to contact investigators at 831- 420-5820. Tips can also be left through the means listed below.

For additional information, contact: Joyce Blaschke Phone: (831) 420-5844

Anonymous tips can also be sent to the police department through our Tip Line (831) 420-5995, or from our Website; www.santacruzpolice.com. Tipsters can also submit an anonymous tip via our smartphone app or from an SMS text. Visit our Website for instructions.