



SANTA CRUZ POLICE DEPARTMENT

155 Center Street, Santa Cruz, CA 95060



MEDIA RELEASE

DATE/TIME: January 20, 2023 6:15 a.m.

LOCATION: SR1 & River Street

TOPIC: Vehicle vs. Ped. Fatal Traffic Collision

CASE NUMBER: 23S-00324

VICTIM(S): Withheld pending next of kin notification

INFORMATION

SANTA CRUZ, CA - The Santa Cruz Police Department (SCPD) and emergency medical personnel responded to the scene of a vehicle vs. pedestrian accident at the intersection of SR1 & River Street at approximately 6:15 a.m. on Friday, January 20, 2023. A vehicle traveling northbound on SR1 at the intersection of River Street, collided into 44 year-old pedestrian who was crossing the roadway. First responders administered life-saving measures; however, the pedestrian succumbed to his injuries and was pronounced deceased at the scene.

SCPD Traffic Investigators have been processing the traffic collision scene and the Santa Cruz County Sheriff-Coroner will complete the death investigation. The victim was a 44 year-old male from Santa Cruz County. His identity is being withheld at this time, pending next of kin notification.

The driver of the vehicle remained on scene of the collision and fully cooperated with police investigators. At this time, there is no evidence of driver impairment or negligence and no arrests have been made.

Anyone with information about this case is encouraged to contact the Santa Cruz Police Department Traffic Investigations Lieutenant Wes Morey at (831) 420-5857.

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