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DELAYED FATAL PEDESTRIAN COLLISION 300 BLOCK OF EAST 22ND STREET

On May 4, 2022, just after 11:30 p.m., officers from Operations Division South were dispatched to the 300 block of E. 22nd St. for a report of a collision involving an adult male pedestrian. Tucson Fire personnel responded and transported the pedestrian to St. Joseph’s Hospital with life-threatening injuries.

Traffic Unit Detectives were contacted and responded to the scene to continue the investigation. Interviews conducted by officers and detectives determined that the pedestrian was standing in the median lane of westbound 22nd St., approximately 50 feet west of a marked crosswalk. During this time, a blue 2007 Nissan Titan was traveling westbound on 22nd St. and struck the pedestrian. The driver of the Nissan immediately stopped after the collision and cooperated with the investigation. An officer with the DUI Unit responded to the scene and evaluated the driver of the Nissan for impairment. It was determined that the driver was not impaired at the time of the collision.

Mid-block crossing by the pedestrian is the major contributing factor in the collision.

On May 7, 2022, the Office of the Medical Examiner (OME) notified the Tucson Police Department that the pedestrian had passed away due to his injuries sustained during the collision. He has been identified as 28-year-old **Evander Aaron Nelson**. Next of kin has been notified of his passing.

Traffic Fatalities Year to Date:

For 2021 – 28	For 2022 – 37
Pedestrian – 10	Pedestrian – 19
Bicycle – 02	Bicycle – 01
Motorcycle – 05	Motorcycle – 07
Vehicle - 11	Vehicle – 10

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