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FATAL BICYCLE COLLISION NORTH ORACLE ROAD AND WEST RILLITO STREET

On September 11, 2021, at approximately 1:05 p.m., officers from Operations Division West were dispatched to the intersection of N. Oracle Rd. and W. Rillito St. for a report of a collision involving a bicyclist and a white 2016 Fiat 500.

Tucson Fire personnel arrived and began life-saving efforts. Despite these efforts, the bicyclist was pronounced deceased at the scene. The identity of the bicyclist is being withheld at this time, pending next of kin notification. The driver of the Fiat remained on scene and cooperated with the investigation.

Interviews conducted by officers determined that the bicyclist was riding southbound on N. Oracle Rd. when she abruptly cut across southbound lanes of traffic. At that time, the Fiat was traveling southbound on N. Oracle Rd. and was not able to avoid striking the bicyclist. An officer evaluated the driver of the Fiat and determined that they were not impaired at the time of the collision.

Unsafe movement on the roadway by the bicyclist is the major contributing factor in the collision. This is an ongoing investigation, and no charges or citations have been issued at this point.

Traffic Fatalities Year to Date:

For 2020 – 63	For 2021 –59
Pedestrian – 19	Pedestrian – 19
Bicycle – 2	Bicycle – 6
Motorcycle – 19	Motorcycle – 9
Vehicle - 23	Vehicle – 25

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