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FATAL MOTORCYCLE COLLISION SOUTH KOLB ROAD AND EAST 19TH STREET

On August 8, 2020, at approximately 11:21 p.m., officers from Operations Division East were dispatched to the intersection of South Kolb Road and East 19th Street for the report of a fatal motorcycle collision.

Upon arrival, Tucson Fire personnel were on scene rendering aid to the motorcyclist until it was determined that the adult male, identified as **59-year-old Aaron Knosp**, was deceased at the scene. Mr. Knosp's next of kin was notified of his passing.

Traffic Detectives were contacted and responded to continue the investigation. According to witness interviews conducted by officers and detectives, Mr. Knosp was riding northbound on Kolb Road preparing to make a right turn onto 19th Street when he was struck from the rear by a 2003 Acura TL. Witnesses said that the Acura was traveling at excessive speeds between 80-100 miles per hour. Roadway evidence spanned a distance of 3 blocks north from 19th Street. Mr. Knosp was not wearing a helmet at the time of this collision.

Detectives interviewed one occupant of the Acura that remained at the scene, but are asking anyone with information about this collision to please call 88-CRIME. You can remain anonymous.

Interviews in conjunction with roadway evidence determined that excessive speed was a contributing factor in this collision. The investigation is on-going and no charges or citations have been issued at this time.

Traffic Fatalities Year to Date:

For 2019 – 33	For 2020 –54
Pedestrian – 20	Pedestrian – 15
Bicycle – 2	Bicycle – 2
Motorcycle – 5	Motorcycle –19
Vehicle - 6	Vehicle – 18

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