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FATAL VEHICLE COLLISION 3200 NORTH MOUNTAIN AVENUE

On June 5, 2021, at 11:08 p.m., officers responded to the area 3200 N. Mountain Ave. for the report of a serious-injury collision involving a single vehicle. Upon arrival, Tucson Fire personnel were on scene rendering aid. The driver and sole occupant of a black 2001 Mitsubishi Montero was transported to Banner University Medical Center with life-threatening injuries. Upon arrival at the hospital, the driver was pronounced deceased. The driver was identified as 45-year-old **Joseph Ray Eisensee**. His family has been notified of his death.

Detectives from the Traffic Investigations Unit were briefed and responded to continue the investigation. Through witness interviews, detectives learned Mr. Eisensee was traveling southbound on Mountain Ave., which is a one lane roadway north and south. Mr. Eisensee was traveling behind two other vehicles when he attempted to pass them. As Mr. Eisensee's Mitsubishi drove left of center, it struck the eastside of a landscaped median. The Mitsubishi struck trees and other objects while still traveling southbound. Mr. Eisensee lost control of his vehicle and it flipped onto its driver side. Eisensee was not wearing a seatbelt and was partially ejected from the Mitsubishi. No other injuries were reported at the scene. The investigation is ongoing and no charges or citations have been issued.

Traffic Fatalities Year to Date:

For 2020 – 35	For 2021 –36
Pedestrian – 13	Pedestrian – 11
Bicycle – 1	Bicycle – 2
Motorcycle – 12	Motorcycle – 6
Vehicle - 10	Vehicle – 17

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