



Phoenix Police Department
Public Affairs Bureau
620 West Washington Street, Phoenix, Arizona 85003



MEDIA ADVISORY

Date/Time: October 3, 2023, around 6:19 p.m.
Incident: 2023-1504489
Location: 6900 West Thomas Road
Victim: Bibiana Vicente Mendoza, 20-year-old, deceased

Speed Possibly a Factor in Collision That Left One Dead

(October 4, 2023) Phoenix Police detectives are investigating a west Phoenix collision that left a woman dead and three others in hospitalized.

On October 3, 2023, around 6:15 p.m. officers responded to the area of 69th Avenue and Thomas Road regarding a collision where one of the vehicles involved had rolled over. When officers arrived, they located multiple people injured that had occupied the three vehicles involved. The three drivers of the cars, all adult males, were transported to local hospitals with non-life-threatening injuries. A passenger in one of the vehicles, identified as 20-year-old Bibiana Mendoza, suffered serious injuries. Life saving measures were attempted however Mendoza did not survive her injuries and was pronounced deceased on scene.

Detectives responded to take over the investigation. Preliminary information suggests that the vehicle that Mendoza was in was traveling eastbound on Thomas Road nearing 69th Avenue when it collided with a vehicle making an eastbound turn onto Thomas Road from 69th Avenue. Another vehicle, also traveling eastbound, collided with the vehicle Mendoza was in causing it to roll over. Impairment is not believed to be a factor however speed is likely to be a factor in the collision. Specifics on this collision will be determined through the accident reconstruction portion of the ongoing investigation.

Sergeant Rob Scherer
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