



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



MEDIA ADVISORY

Date/Time: June 20, 2026, at about 11:32 p.m.
Incident: 2026-850887
Location: 20200 North 19th Avenue
Victim: Leila Kiani Potts, 19-year-old, deceased
Victim: Infant, deceased

UPDATE: June 22, 2026

The victim in this incident has been identified as 19-year-old Leila Kiani Potts.

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Fatal Collision

Around 11:32 p.m., officers responded to the area of Loop 101 and 19th Avenue regarding a collision. When officers arrived on the scene, they located an adult female passenger who was far along with her pregnancy in critical condition. The Phoenix Fire Department arrived on the scene and transported her to a nearby hospital. Medical staff delivered the baby; however, both the mother and child were pronounced deceased. The adult male driver of the same vehicle was also transported to a nearby hospital to be treated for non-life-threatening injuries. The driver of the second vehicle involved remained at the scene.

Detectives from the Vehicular Crimes Unit responded to assume and process the scene. Preliminary information indicates the driver of the first vehicle failed to stop for a red traffic signal and collided with the second vehicle, which was traveling eastbound on Beardsley Road. The driver of the second vehicle was not injured. He was also evaluated for impairment; however, no signs of impairment were observed. Additional details related to this incident remain a part of the ongoing investigation.

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