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Motorcyclist Dies After Hitting A Car (Update)

UPDATE: The El Paso Police Department has arrested the driver involved in this accident. 64 year old Carmen Ofelia De Los Santos was taken into custody on Wednesday, December 29, 2021. De los Santos was charged with Accident Involving Death and was issued a \$150,000 bond by Judge Granberg.

History

Date/Time: 12/25/2021 4:45 PM

Location: 1500 George Dieter / Rex Baxter, El Paso, Texas

Vehicle #1: 2005 CRB-600RR

Driver: Laramie Fowler 24 years of age, Northeast El Paso Texas Resident **(Deceased)**

Vehicle #2: 2013 Hyundai Elantra

Driver: Carmen Ofelia De Los Santos, Eastside El Paso, Texas resident

EL PASO, Texas — The Special Traffic Investigation unit continues to investigate yesterday's motorcycle crash, a hit and run. The initial investigation revealed 24-year-old Fowler had crested a hill and was traveling south on George Dieter at a high rate of speed. At the same time, the unknown dark-colored vehicle attempted to make a left turn onto Rex Baxter. Investigators believe the motorcyclist tried to avoid the car when the car turned in front of him by laying down the bike. The unknown vehicle struck the motorcyclist as he was sliding on the roadway. Fowler was transported to a local hospital by Fire Medical Services, but unfortunately, he died at the hospital.

Special Traffic Investigation investigators need the community's assistance in identifying the vehicle and female who left the scene. Investigators learned the female exited her vehicle walked around her car then fled the location. If you have information about the dark-colored vehicle or the woman wearing the green sweater, contact police at 915-832-4400 or Crimestoppers at 915-566-8477 to remain anonymous.

This fatal crash was the 75th fatality compared to 68 last year. STI continues its investigation into this case.

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