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**NEWS
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City's 23rd Traffic Fatality

Date: 05-19-2025 **Time:** 01:36 AM

Location: Spur 601 Westbound Mile Marker #25 (Global Reach)

Vehicle: 2015 Yamaha YZF

Driver: Austin Rhodes, 24-year-old East El Paso resident **(Deceased)**

EL PASO, Texas— On 05-19-2025, the El Paso Police Department responded to a single-vehicle crash involving a motorcycle. The preliminary information is that on the 19th of May, a male in his mid-20s was traveling west on Spur 601 at a high rate of speed near Global Reach. The male had died at the scene when officers arrived. The Special Traffic Investigations unit was requested to take over the investigation. The preliminary investigation revealed that the motorcyclist failed to negotiate the curb in the roadway and struck the center concrete barrier.

Failure to control speed on behalf of the motorcycle operator is a contributing factor. This is the 23rd traffic fatality, compared to 25 at the same time last year.

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