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**NEWS
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11/03/2025

56th Traffic Fatality

Date: 10-24-2025 **Time:** 09:32 AM

Location: 800 Stanton / 400 7th Avenue

Vehicle #1: 2024 Chevrolet Colorado

Driver: 58-year-old Monica Salas, Sunland Park, NM resident.

Veh #1 front passenger: 70-year-old Teresa Munoz, Sunland Park, NM resident.

Veh #1 back passenger: 64-year-old Maria Munoz, Juarez, MX resident.

Pedestrian: 71-year-old Ricarda Meza Escobedo, Juarez, MX resident
(Deceased).

EL PASO, Texas— On 10-24-2025, police responded to a vehicle vs pedestrian crash at the intersection of Stanton and 7th Avenue. The Special Traffic Investigations unit was contacted to investigate due to the nature of the injuries.

The initial investigation revealed that Salas was operating her 2024 Chevrolet Colorado in a southbound direction on Stanton Street, approaching the intersection of 7th Street. At the intersection, Salas made a left turn; however, at the same time, Escobedo was crossing 7th street and was struck by the pick-up truck. Escobedo was transported to a local hospital with serious injuries.

On 11-01-2025, the Medical Examiner's Office contacted the investigators and advised that Escobedo had died from her injuries sustained in the crash. The contributing factor in this collision is Salas' failure to yield the right of way to the pedestrian. This is the 56th traffic fatality compared to 57 this same time last year. The investigation continues...

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