

CHIEF OF POLICE

## **BURBANK POLICE DEPARTMENT**

200 North Third Street, Burbank, CA 91502

## OFFICIAL NEWS RELEASE

## FATAL TRAFFIC COLLISION DRIVER OF VEHICLE STABBED PRIOR TO CRASH

DATE: December 10, 2016

On December 9, 2016, at about 5:40 pm, Burbank Police and Fire Department personnel were dispatched to Olive Avenue and San Fernando Boulevard regarding a traffic collision, with one person reportedly trapped under a vehicle.

Upon arrival, first responders found a silver minivan had left the roadway and travelled up onto the sidewalk on the southwest corner of the intersection. The man, who had been struck and trapped under the minivan, was extricated by firefighters and transported to a local hospital. The man, identified as 52-year-old Burbank resident Rodolfo Tan, was pronounced dead.

The driver of the minivan, a 33-year-old Glendale man, was treated at the scene and transported to a local hospital.

The investigation has revealed the driver of the minivan had suffered a stab wound to his chest prior to the collision. It appears he was driving west on Olive Avenue at a high rate of speed when he sideswiped a parked vehicle and continued westbound. He traversed the eastbound lanes of traffic at San Fernando Boulevard where the van stuck the pedestrian fatally injuring him, before coming to rest on the sidewalk near a bus stop.

The driver of the minivan is listed in critical condition and has been unable to speak with investigators.

Detectives have spoken with the minivan driver's family. They are working to determine how and when the minivan driver was stabbed. No arrests have been made. This is an on-going investigation by both our Traffic Bureau and Crimes vs Persons Unit. No other information is available at this time.

Anyone with information is asked to contact Burbank Police Detectives at (818) 238-3210. If you wish to remain anonymous, call "LA Crime Stoppers" by dialing 800-222-TIPS (8477), use your smartphone by downloading the "P3 MOBILE APP" or by using the website www.LACrimeStoppers.org.

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