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TRAFFIC COLLISION RESULTS IN FATALITY

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Burbank, California – An investigation is underway following a traffic collision that resulted in one fatality.

On Saturday, May 18, 2024, at about 11:15 p.m., Burbank Police and paramedics responded to Vanowen Street west of Hollywood Way regarding a traffic collision involving multiple vehicles. When police officers arrived, they located a male in the roadway who had been ejected from a white Scion. The male sustained serious injuries and was pronounced deceased at the scene.

Officers located a second vehicle involved, a white Toyota Corolla, which was occupied by a driver. The driver sustained moderate injuries and was treated at the scene by paramedics.

The preliminary investigation has revealed that the Scion and the Corolla were traveling eastbound on Vanowen Street at a high rate of speed. As the vehicles approached Hollywood Way, the vehicles collided with each other and careened into an electrical pole and fire hydrant. The force of the collision knocked the electrical pole down and sheared the fire hydrant.

The driver of the Corolla remained at the scene and was interviewed by traffic investigators.

At this time, it is unknown whether drugs or alcohol were factors in this collision. Preliminarily, it appears unsafe speed is likely a contributing factor.

The decedent has only been identified as an adult male. The Burbank Police Department is working with the Los Angeles County Coroner's Office to identify the decedent and notify the next of kin.

This collision remains under the investigation of Burbank Police Department Traffic Detective Ryan Murphy. Anyone who may have witnessed the collision is asked to contact Detective Murphy at (818) 238-3103.

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