

Fatal Traffic Collision

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Incident: Fatal Traffic Collision

Contact: Watch Commander (805) 339-4416

Location: 146 North Brent St. Ventura, CA (Cabrillo Pharmacy)

Date/Time Occurred: 7/14/14 @ 15:07 p.m.

Officer(s) Involved: Ventura Police Department Patrol Officers and Traffic Investigators

Parties Involved:

Driver – Lucia Castellanos 24 yrs.

Pedestrian – Holly Gross 44 yrs. (deceased)

Report #: 14-8714

Narrative:

On 07/14/14, at about 15:07 p.m., the Ventura Police Department Command Center received 9-1-1 calls regarding an injury traffic collision at the Cabrillo Pharmacy in the City of Ventura. Officers arrived on scene and found that the pedestrian, Holly Gross, had sustained major injuries after being struck by a truck being driven by Lucia Castellanos. Gross was transported to the Ventura County Medical Center and succumbed to her injuries and was pronounced dead.

After a preliminary investigation, it appears that Gross had parked in the Cabrillo Pharmacy parking lot and was preparing to enter the Pharmacy. While Gross was walking in the parking lot behind Castellanos' truck, Castellanos began to back out of her parking space. Castellanos hit Gross with the rear of her truck and pinned her against the Pharmacy building. Neither alcohol nor drugs appear to be a factor in the collision.

The investigation into this collision is on going. Anyone with information or who had witnessed the incident is urged to call the Ventura Police Department at (805)339-4409.