



# Calexico Police Department

## Press Release

For Immediate Release

Office of the Chief of Police  
Calexico CA, 92231

### **Fatal Vehicle-vs.-Pedestrian Collision on State Route 111**

**Calexico, California - March 9, 2024** - At approximately 0429 hours, officers from the Calexico Police Department were dispatched to a reported fatal vehicle-vs.-pedestrian collision on State Route 111, north of Cole Road.

According to the driver involved, he was traveling northbound on State Route 111 at a speed of 55 MPH when he saw a shadow figure and heard a thumping noise. The driver immediately stopped and returned to the scene, where he discovered he had struck a pedestrian who had possibly illegally crossed State Route 111 in the darkness. The driver immediately called 911 for assistance.

Tragically, the pedestrian was pronounced deceased at the scene. The pedestrian did not have any form of identification on his person. Officers at the scene believe the individual to be a local transient with prior police contacts.

The driver involved in the collision cooperated fully with the investigation. He was evaluated for driving under the influence, and no signs of driving under the influence of drugs were observed during the incident. The driver voluntarily provided a blood sample for testing.

The Calexico Police Department urges the public to exercise caution when crossing any roadway, especially during low light conditions. Pedestrians are reminded to be aware of their visibility to traffic and to only cross roadways when it is safe to do so.

"Our thoughts are with the family and loved ones of the deceased during this difficult time," stated Interim Chief A. Orozco. "We want to remind everyone to be vigilant and take precautions while on or near roadways to prevent such tragic incidents."

The investigation into the collision is ongoing. Anyone with information regarding the incident is urged to contact the Calexico Police Department at (760) 768-2140.

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