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Fatal Traffic Collision

Riverside, CA – On Tuesday, March 5, 2013, at about 1021 hours, Riverside Police Officers responded to the area of Gratton Street and Victoria Avenue, reference reports of a serious injury collision.

Upon the preliminary investigation, a 2009 BMW was southbound on Gratton Street, when the solo occupant driver had a broadside collision with a 1988 Toyota pick-up truck that was travelling westbound on Victoria Avenue. The force of the collision caused the 1988 Toyota pick-up to veer off the road and hit a palm tree.

Members of the Riverside Fire Department and American Medical Response paramedics responded and rendered medical aid to the driver of the Toyota. The driver and solo occupant of the Toyota was a 74 year old male and he was transported to Riverside Community Hospital for further treatment.

The 74-year-old male driver sustained major injuries and after lifesaving efforts, he was pronounced deceased at Riverside Community Hospital. The male driver of the BMW was not injured.

The Riverside Police Department's Major Accident Investigation Team responded and is investigating the collision.

The identity of the involved parties has not been released, pending the Coroner's investigation.

Anyone with information related to this investigation is urged to contact Detective Ken Madsen at 951-826-8723.

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