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MAJOR INJURY TRAFFIC COLLISION

RIVERSIDE, CA – On November 7, 2014, at approximately 2101 hours, Riverside Police and Fire were dispatched to Van Buren Blvd. and Philbin Ave. regarding a traffic collision involving a vehicle and a pedestrian. According to witnesses at the scene, the pedestrian, who is a 36 year old Riverside resident, was crossing Van Buren against traffic and outside the designated crosswalk when he was struck. The 56 year old driver, also of Riverside, was traveling south bound on Van Buren and had just passed Philbin in the number one lane when the collision occurred. The pedestrian was transported to a local hospital with major injuries. Members of the department's Traffic Services Bureau were on duty and responded to the scene where the collision is still under investigation.

The Riverside Police Department Traffic Services Bureau would like to remind pedestrians the safest place to cross is at a corner, with or without a crosswalk. "Crossing mid-block where drivers are not expecting to see you is the most common cause of pedestrian injury" said Sergeant Cliff Mason.

Anyone who may have witnessed this collision is urged to contact Detective Ken Madsen at 951-826-8723.

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