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Pedestrian killed by single-vehicle crash

Young mother with stroller struck by out-of-control vehicle; driver arrested

Riverside CA – A young mother out for a stroll with her husband and child was killed Monday night when a speeding SUV lost control and swerved onto a sidewalk and crashed. The husband and the child in a stroller were unharmed.



The Riverside emergency dispatch center received the call at 9:57 p.m. A black 2001 Ford Explorer was traveling at a high rate of speed northbound on Tyler Street when the driver lost control at the intersection of Robinson Avenue. The vehicle swerved to the sidewalk, knocked over a City utility pole, damaged a nearby fence and rolled, striking the young woman, believed to be in her 20s.

The injured driver fled from the scene. Riverside Police officers discovered the driver about 11:30 p.m., during a yard-to-yard search. The fleeing suspect was found about two blocks away, near the intersection of Cypress Avenue and Highpoint Drive. He had apparently jumped over a fence and encountered an approximate 25-foot drop to concrete on the other side. The suspect, a Hispanic male in his apparent 20s, with no identification, was arrested and taken to a local hospital for treatment of his injuries.

The Riverside Police Major Accident Investigation Team (M.A.I.T.) is investigating.

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