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55th Traffic Fatality

Date/Time: 10/25/2024 – 10:56 PM
Location: 10300 Gateway North / 4500 Sun Valley
Driver 1: Kevin Anthony Meacham, 29-year-old, Chaparral NM Resident
Vehicle: 2017 Brown Nissan Titan

Driver 2: Ruben Felipe Acosta, 51-year-old, El Paso TX Resident (**Deceased**)
Vehicle: 2011 Silver Chevrolet Cruze

El Paso, Texas – Special Traffic Investigations responded to the intersection of Gateway North and 4500 Sun Valley. The preliminary investigation revealed Meacham was traveling at a high rate of speed in a 2017 Titan while exiting US 54 at Sun Valley. Meacham continued traveling north bound on the 10300 block of Gateway North approaching the intersection of Sun Valley. Meacham appeared to have attempted to make a right turn at the intersection and due to his speed was unable to do so. The Titan operated by Meacham continued moving forward striking Ruben Acosta who was stationary in a Chevrolet Cruze at the west bound lanes of the 4500 Block of Sun Valley. Ruben Acosta suffered serious injuries due to the collision and was transported to the hospital and unfortunately succumbed to the injuries. Kevin Anthony Meacham was placed under arrest for Intoxication Manslaughter with a bond of \$155,000 signed by Judge Nunez.

Speed and alcohol are contributing factors in this collision. This is the 55th traffic fatality this year compared to 62 in 2023.



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