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City's 3rd Traffic Fatality

Date: 01-12-2025 **Time:** 06:59 AM

Location: 11200 Gateway North / 5000 Sean Haggerty

Vehicle #1: 2014 Chevrolet Silverado

Driver: 37-year-old Juan Manuel Padilla Rivas Anthony New Mexico resident.

Vehicle#2: 2018 Hyundai Elantra

Driver: 31-year-old Cody Lewis Vaughn, North East El Paso, Texas, resident.

(DECEASED)

Vehicle #3: 2017 Toyota RAV4

Driver: 39-year-old Christian Jose Ramirez, North East El Paso, Texas, resident

EL PASO, Texas— On Sunday morning, the Special Traffic Investigation Unit was called out to assist in a traffic investigation at the intersection of Gateway North and Sean Haggerty. The preliminary information investigators obtained is that approximately Vaughn was stationary at a red signal light on Gateway North when Rivas rear-ended Vaughn. The collision caused both vehicles to enter the intersection, which caused a second impact with Ramirez's vehicle. Vaughn died at the scene.

This is the 3rd traffic fatality compared to 3 at the same time last year. Failure to control speed on behalf of Rivas is the main contributing factor in this collision. STI continues its investigation.

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