MEDIA ADVISORY

Sergeant S. Shepherd, Traffic Unit

Release Date/Time: Friday, March 4th, 2016 at 1:00 p.m.

Subject: Fatal Traffic Collision
Case Number: 2016-003134

Details:

On Friday, March 4th, 2016, at 2:14 a.m., the Huntington Beach Police Department responded to the area of Warner Avenue and Edwards Street regarding a traffic collision.

Arriving officers located the involved vehicle, a late model, black, Lexus sedan. A few Good Samaritans heard the collision and assisted officers render aid to the two 18 year old male occupants. However, both occupants had succumbed to their injuries. The names of the deceased will not be released until next of kin can be notified. The deceased both resided in the city of Palos Verdes.

Based on the preliminary investigation, it appears the vehicle was travelling at a high rate of speed and collided into an occupied apartment building. The apartments were evacuated due to the vehicle catching fire and possible structural damage to the building. Impairment may have been a factor.

The investigation is ongoing and is being conducted by the HBPD Major Incident Reconstruction Team (M.I.R.T). No citations have been issued and no arrests have been made at this time.

Anyone with information about this collision is asked to contact Huntington Beach Police Accident Investigator Robert Barr at 714-536-5666 or Accident Investigator Josh Page at 714-536-5670. During non-business hours or on weekends, calls should be directed to 714-960-8825.