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FATAL TRAFFIC COLLISION

On Sunday, September 18, 2011, at approximately 2:34 PM, Inglewood Police officers responded to 3321 W. Century Boulevard "El Super Market" to investigate a report of a traffic collision involving a vehicle and a pedestrian. Upon arrival, officers found the pedestrian had sustained severe trauma to the upper torso and one of the vehicles involved had left the scene.

Based on the preliminary investigation, officers determined that the driver of a 2000 Lexus accelerated instead of applying the brakes as they parked in a parking stall, causing the Lexus to continue over a parking median and colliding with a Ford Ranger that was parked in the adjacent stall.

The impact pushed the Ford Ranger backward, hitting the victim who was behind the vehicle loading items into the bed of the truck. The victim, 61 year old Jose Asuncion Aguirre was pushed backwards, fell to the ground, and was struck by a 2001 GMC Yukon that was travelling east in the parking lot.

Mr. Aguirre sustained major trauma to the upper torso and was transported to Harbor General UCLA Hospital for treatment where he succumbed to his injuries.

Approximately 30 minutes after the accident, the driver of the Lexus returned to the accident scene and cooperated with investigators. No arrests have been made and the traffic accident remains under investigation.

Anyone with additional information about this fatal accident is asked to contact Inglewood Police Traffic Investigator Jeff LaGreek at (310) 412-5134, or the 24-hour anonymous hotline number "**888-41-CRIME**" (**888/412-7463**).

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