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## Fatality Collision

### **Location of Incident: Foothills Boulevard and E. 50<sup>th</sup> Street - Yuma, AZ**

On Thursday, April 23, 2015, at approximately 1:09 p.m., the Yuma County Sheriff's Office received a report of a two vehicle injury collision on South Foothills Boulevard and East 50<sup>th</sup> Street.

The vehicles involved were a red and white 1999 Yamaha motorcycle which was travelling northbound on Foothills Blvd, and a red 1996 Volvo garbage truck, also travelling northbound on Foothills Blvd. The initial investigation revealed that the motorcycle attempted to pass to the right side of the garbage truck as the garbage truck made a right turn onto 50<sup>th</sup> Street. The motorcycle skidded and struck the front passenger side tire of the garbage truck. The rider of the motorcycle was pinned underneath the garbage truck.

The Yamaha motorcycle was being operated by Mr. Jerry David Lillard, 51, of Yuma. Mr. Lillard was transported to Yuma Regional Medical Center via Rural Metro Ambulance and later succumbed to his injuries. Next of kin has been notified.

The Volvo garbage truck was being operated by Mr. Israel Robles, 47, of Yuma. Mr. Robles was not injured.

The cause of the incident is still under investigation; however, alcohol does not appear to be a factor in the collision.

Anyone with information regarding this case, please contact the Yuma County Sheriff's Office at 928-783-4427 or 78-CRIME to remain anonymous. You can also visit our website at [www.yumacountysheriff.org](http://www.yumacountysheriff.org) to submit an anonymous tip.

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