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## Serious Injury Collision

**Location of Incident:** Somerton Avenue and County 8th Street - Yuma, AZ

On Sunday, January 15, 2023, at approximately 2:33 AM, the Yuma County Sheriff's Office responded to a report of a single vehicle collision in the area of Somerton Avenue and County 8th Street.

The initial investigation revealed a silver 1999 Jeep Grand Cherokee was traveling southbound on Somerton Avenue, when the driver lost control of the vehicle and collided into an APS pole.

One juvenile occupant was ejected from the vehicle and was airlifted to a Phoenix area hospital due to life-threatening injuries.

Three other occupants did not sustain serious injuries.

This case remains under investigation at this time. Alcohol appears to be a factor in this 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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