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Bicyclist dies after traffic collision

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The following information is based on a preliminary, ongoing investigation which continues to evolve as investigators interview witnesses, review physical and electronic records if available, and analyze forensic evidence. The Department's understanding of the facts and circumstances may change as additional evidence is collected and analyzed

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On Tuesday March 14, 2017 at approximately 11:36 hours, the Tulare Police Department dispatch center received a 9-1-1 call of a traffic collision at the intersection of North Blackstone Ave and East Prosperity Ave involving a bicyclist and a motor vehicle.

Officers arrived and found 69 year old Johnny Marin Terronez of Tulare, in the intersection with visible injuries and head trauma. He was taken to Kaweah Delta for immediate treatment and later transported to Fresno Regional Hospital for further emergency care. The driver of the 2008 Chevy Malibu was identified as 28 year old Antonio Cabrera of Tulare. He was not injured.

Based on independent witness statements and physical evidence on scene, Terronez was identified as riding his bicycle westbound on East Prosperity Ave on the southside of the road way against traffic. He entered the intersection of North Blackstone Ave and East Prosperity Ave on a solid red light for westbound traffic. Cabrera

was traveling northbound on North Blackstone Ave in the #1 lane approaching East Prosperity Ave on a green light. Terronez entered the intersection against the red light and crossed in front of Cabrera causing the collision. Cabrera was driving within the speed limit.

Late evening hours, Terronez succumbed to his injuries. Next of kin have been notified.

Based on the evidence collected and statements received, this investigation determined that Terronez caused this collision.

This is the first fatal traffic collision for 2017.

Anyone with additional information regarding this incident is urged to call the Tulare Police Department at any of the following numbers:

- During business hours at (559) 684-4290;
- During non-business hours or on weekends at (559) 685-3454;
- Anonymously 24-hours a day (559) 685-2300 Ext: 4445
- Online at <https://www.tipsubmit.com/webtipstart.aspx>

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