



# Huntington Beach Police Department

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## Press Release

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## Fatal Traffic Collision – Pacific Coast Highway and 1<sup>st</sup> Street

On Thursday, May 27, 2021, at approximately 1:35 p.m., the Huntington Beach Police Department (HBPD) responded to a traffic collision at the intersection of Pacific Coast Highway and 1<sup>st</sup> Street involving a bicyclist and a 2007 silver Toyota Yaris.

Upon arrival, officers located an unresponsive 68-year old male, from Huntington Beach, lying in the roadway. He sustained significant injuries and was transported by ambulance to a local trauma center in critical condition. He later succumbed to his injuries.

The driver of the Yaris, a 23-year old male from Bloomington, remained at the scene and cooperated with officers. He was investigated for driving under the influence (DUI) and was subsequently arrested for suspicion of DUI.

Based on the preliminary investigation, circumstances suggest the bicyclist attempted to cross Pacific Coast Highway at 1<sup>st</sup> Street going northbound and failed to yield for the traffic signal. The Yaris, travelling westbound along Pacific Coast Highway, collided with the bicyclist.

The collision investigation is ongoing and being conducted by the HBPD Multidisciplinary Accident Investigation Team (MAIT). Anyone who may have witnessed the collision or the events leading up to it is encouraged to contact HBPD Traffic Investigator D. Demetre at (714) 536-5670, or Investigator V. Rattanchandani at (714) 536-5663.