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TRAGIC LOSS OF RIVERSIDE POLICE EXPLORER

RIVERSIDE, CA – On Wednesday, January 25, 2017, at about 4:13 p.m., Riverside Police and Fire responded to reports of a traffic collision involving a vehicle into a pole at the intersection of Magnolia Avenue and Banbury Drive. The male driver was transported to Kaiser Hospital nearby but succumbed to his injuries. The cause of the collision is still under investigation by the Riverside Police Department's Major Accident Investigation Team (M.A.I.T.) and no other details are available at this time.

The male driver was identified as Paul Napier, 17-year-old of Jurupa Valley. Paul has been a Riverside Police Explorer for the past 1 ½ years. As a member of Riverside Police Explorer Post 714, Paul has participated in weekly meetings and community events working alongside members of the police department while learning about career opportunities, life skills, and leadership. He was in 11th grade at Jurupa Valley High School and worked at his stepdad's tire business. Paul is survived by his mother Krystal, stepdad Israel, stepbrother Israel Jr, and stepsisters Jessica and Andrea. Jessica is also a Riverside Police Explorer.



The funeral for Paul will take place on Wednesday, February 1, 2017, 10:00 a.m., at Harvest Christian Fellowship Church located at 6115 Arlington Avenue, Riverside, CA 92504. Internment will occur immediately following the funeral service at Olivewood Cemetery located at 3300 Central Avenue, Riverside, CA 92506.

A fund has been set up through the Riverside Police Foundation to give assistance to Paul's family. If you would like to make a donation, please go to <http://mkt.com/riverside-police-foundation/> and click on Napier Family Donation. Donations in Paul's honor will also be accepted at the Riverside Police Officers' Association located at 1965 Chicago Avenue, Suite B, Riverside, CA 92507.

