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**Victim in Fatal Hit and Run Identified**

**UPDATE:**

The victim in Sunday morning's fatal hit and run accident on West San Antonio Street has been identified as 24-year old Hitesh Patel of Austin and next of kin has now been notified.

**PREVIOUS RELEASE:**

On November 15th, 2015, at approximately 1:10am, the New Braunfels Police Department and the New Braunfels Fire Department responded to the 300 block of West San Antonio Street for reports of a vehicle versus pedestrian hit and run accident. Crews arrived to find the male victim unconscious but breathing, and he was Airlifted to the San Antonio Military Medical Center (SAMMC), where he later died. The victim has only been identified as a 24-year old male from Austin and next of kin has not yet been notified.

The investigation into the crash closed a portion of West San Antonio Street, from South Castell to South Academy, and revealed that the victim was crossing the street when he was struck by a vehicle traveling east on West San Antonio Street. The vehicle, which was traveling at about 35mph at the time of the collision, is described as a black, newer model pickup truck (possibly a Chevy 1500 or Toyota Tundra) and was last seen leaving the scene and turning onto the 100 block of Hill Avenue.

Anyone with information on the vehicle in question is asked to call New Braunfels Police or Comal County Crime Stoppers. Crime Stoppers is offering a reward of up to \$2000 for information that leads to an arrest and/or grand jury indictment. To remain anonymous and to collect the reward, contact Crime Stoppers at 830-620-TIPS (8477), leave a tip online at <http://comalcrimestoppers.org/>, or text a tip by texting "Comal" plus your message to CRIMES (274637). To contact the New Braunfels Police Department directly, call 830-221-4100.

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