



PRESS RELEASE

Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department Traffic Bureau Accident Investigation Detail

Douglas C. Gillespie, Sheriff

REPORTING DETECTIVES: W. Redfairn / R. Tusko / T. Hughes / Sgt O. Chavez
TYPE OF ACCIDENT: Auto / Pedestrian
LOCATION OF ACCIDENT: 6000 block Heatherton Avenue
DATE OF ACCIDENT: 12-11-2008 **TIME:** 3:29 p.m. **EVENT #:** 081211-2193

Number: 1 **Driver:** Noelia Guzman-Campos **Injury:** None
Address: Las Vegas, Nevada **Age:** 32
Vehicle Information: 2000 Ford Ranger Pickup

Vehicle Occupants:

Number: 1 **Name:** Pending Notification **Injury:** FATAL
Address: Las Vegas, Nevada **Age:** 7

Number: 1 **Name:** Miriam Castillo **Injury:** None
Address: Las Vegas, Nevada **Age:** 10

Number: 1 **Name:** Jocelyn Alvarez **Injury:** None
Address: Las Vegas, Nevada **Age:** 9

Number: 1 **Name:** Octavil Castillo **Injury:** None
Address: Las Vegas, Nevada **Age:** 7

Number: 1 **Name:** Jesus Arellano **Injury:** None
Address: Las Vegas, Nevada **Age:** 9

COLLISION DETAILS:

On December 11, 2008 at approximately 3:29 p.m., a pickup truck – pedestrian fatal traffic accident occurred in the 6000 block of Heatherton Avenue. Evidence at the scene and witness statements indicate the 2000 Ford pickup was coming to a stop to drop off some children when a 7 year old male jumped from the bed of the truck. The male juvenile tripped and struck his head on the pavement resulting in a head injury. The male was transported to University Medical Center where he was pronounced dead shortly after arrival. It appears jumping from a moving vehicle is the cause of this accident. The accident remains under investigation by the LVMPD Accident Investigation Detail.

LVMPD would like to remind the public it is illegal for anyone under the age of 18 to ride in the open bed of a pickup truck.