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# CHULA VISTA POLICE DEPARTMENT

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## POLICE MEDIA ADVISORY

Date: July 28, 2025  
To: San Diego Media  
From: Chula Vista Police Department  
Contact: Officer Julio Armenta  
Phone: 619-476-2428  
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Subject: **Fatal Traffic Collision (1600 East Palomar), Case#2510320**

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### Message:

On July 28, 2025, at approximately 7:39 pm, the Chula Vista Police Department received several calls regarding two vehicles racing on 1600 East Palomar Street, Chula Vista and one vehicle lost control and crashed. Police arrived on scene and discovered a silver Toyota Corolla was traveling eastbound on East Palomar Street when the driver failed to negotiate a turn, drove up onto a curb, hit a palm tree, splitting the car in half. Officers and paramedics responded to the scene to provide lifesaving measures to the 17-year-old driver, who was tragically pronounced deceased at the scene. The second vehicle involved is a grey Hyundai Elantra driven by a 28-year-old male resident of Chula Vista, who remained on scene and is cooperative with law enforcement. The 28-year-old male had two small children secured in the back seat of the Elantra. No parties in the Hyundai Elantra were injured. The Chula Vista Police Traffic Bureau was called to the scene to investigate the collision.

The cause of the collision has not yet been determined; however, witnesses described the vehicles to be involved in a speed contest. At this time drugs and/or alcohol are not suspected to be a factor. The Chula Vista Police Traffic Bureau is currently investigating the collision. No arrests have been made at this time. Anyone that witnessed the collision or has additional information is asked to contact the Chula Vista Police Department Traffic Bureau at 619-476-2428.

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