



PRESS RELEASE

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TYPE OF CRIME: Fatal Traffic Collision
LOCATION: Suncrest Ave. east of Colonial Ln.
VICTIM: Jessica Tran
ADDRESS: San Jose Resident
DRIVER: Binh T. Nguyen
ADDRESS: San Jose Resident

CASE NUMBER: 04-099-0958
DATE: 4-8-04 **TIME:** 5:00PM
AGE: 16
AGE: 20

DETAILS:

On 4-8-04 at 5:00PM, San Jose Police Officers responded on a major injury traffic collision on Suncrest Ave. east of Colonial Ln. On arrival, officers found an unconscious 16-year-old girl lying near the collision scene. She was pronounced dead at the scene by paramedics. Two males with serious injuries were located near the vehicle. Paramedics transported both to San Jose Medical Center for treatment. Their injuries are not believed to be life threatening.

Traffic Investigators responded to the scene. Preliminary investigation indicates that Binh Nguyen of San Jose was driving a 1992 Acura Legend westbound on Suncrest Ave. The victim and another male were passengers in his vehicle. Mr. Nguyen lost control of his vehicle, drove onto the soft shoulder of the roadway and then drove over an embankment. As the vehicle drove over the embankment, the victim was ejected from the vehicle. Investigators are attempting to determine if Mr. Nguyen was driving at an excessive speed prior to the collision.

Anyone with information on this case is urged to call Investigation Dave Johnson of the San Jose Police Dept.'s Vehicular Crimes Unit at 408-277-4654.

BY: Sgt. S. Dixon #2650
DATE: 4-9-04 TIME: 9:00AM

AUTHORIZED BY: Lt. Derek Edwards
DATE: 4-9-04 TIME: 9:00AM

PRESS OFFICER BRIEFED BY UNIT COMMANDER (CIRCLE) **YES** NO