



Richardson Police Department News Release

January 29, 2015

Fatality Collision
1700 Blk. North Central Expressway - Northbound,
Richardson TX

On January 28, 2015, at approximately 11:48 PM, Richardson Police Officers were dispatched to the 1700 Blk. of North Central Expressway, northbound, regarding a disabled vehicle in the left center lane with its hazard lights flashing. Before officers could arrive on scene, a 2008 Toyota Corolla struck the disabled 2003 Ford Focus. The Ford was unoccupied at the time of the collision. The Toyota was driven by 25-year-old Plano resident Xiawei Xu. Moments after the initial impact with the Ford, the Toyota was struck by a Chevrolet Pickup driven by Barbara Laden. The Chevrolet pushed the Toyota onto the right shoulder and into the retaining wall where it ignited. A front seat passenger in the Toyota, who was the father to the driver, was able to escape from the vehicle. A backseat passenger, who was the mother to the driver, was not able to escape and perished. She has been identified as Wanzhen Zhou 51-years-of-age.

The driver of the Ford was not at the scene and efforts are underway to locate that operator.



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