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La Mirada Resident Killed in Crash

Alexis Barragan of La Mirada, 22, was killed this past early Sunday morning after the vehicle she was travelling in crashed near Valley View and Katella Avenues.

The driver, Nicolas Sanchez-McCormick, 22, of Whittier was arrested on vehicular manslaughter and DUI charges. He was the driver of the vehicle and reportedly ran a red light.

Valley View Interchange Project Update

The northbound I-5 on-ramp at Freeway Drive/Alondra Blvd is now closed.

Motorists will now be detoured to proceed west on Alondra Boulevard, then north on Carmenita Road to access the northbound I-5 on-ramp. Heavy traffic and delays in the area are expected. Motorists are urged to use alternative routes whenever possible.

Starting Sunday, April 16 through Thursday, April 20 crews will be performing work in the median island along northbound and southbound I-5 between Artesia Boulevard to Alondra Boulevard. In order to complete this work, there will be partial lane reductions on I-5 and the northbound and southbound I-5 Valley View Avenue on- and off-ramps may be closed nightly between 7:00 p.m. and 5:45 a.m.

Pile driving and shoring activities are ongoing on the south side of Valley View Avenue. This work will be conducted weekdays during the daytime between 7 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Multiple utility relocations are ongoing throughout the construction site. There will be intermittent lane reductions on both N. Firestone Boulevard and S. Firestone Boulevard. Work will be performed Monday through Friday.

A portion of S. Firestone Boulevard at Coyote Creek channel is now closed for utility relocation

Northbound I-5 Alondra Boulevard/Freeway Drive On-Ramp Permanently Closed

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for a period of four to six months. Work will be conducted weekdays between 6 a.m. and 4 p.m. Businesses along Firestone Boulevard will remain open and detour signs will be posted. For detour information visit the <u>project Google map</u>.

Prescription Drug Scams

The Internet makes purchasing prescriptions easy and convenient. Deals and discounts are advertised, which makes online shopping very appealing.

The La Mirada Public Safety Team is warning residents to be aware of Internet retailers and criminals who take advantage of unsuspecting consumers by promising benefits and cures for medical conditions that have not been scientifically tested or approved by the US Food and Drug Administration.

"With some online prescription orders, money is paid for a product, but the item is never delivered," says Public Safety Specialist Jennifer Anderson.

"In other instances, counterfeit drugs that can potentially present serious and possibly life-threatening risks are delivered in place of the purchased prescription."

Public Safety Specialist Anderson offers the following tips to prevent prescription drug scams:

- Discuss online prescription plans with your physician.
- Be wary of any website that offers a prescription by simply completing an online questionnaire.
- Purchase prescriptions from online pharmacies approved by the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy (NABP) or contact the NABP on its website at nabp.pharmacy/about/contact/.
- If you send money and don't receive a prescription in return, contact the La Mirada Community Sheriff's Station at (562) 902-2960.