



# **HAWTHORNE POLICE DEPARTMENT**

## **PRESS RELEASE**

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On October 9, 2009 at approximately 1218 hours, a vehicle vs. pedestrian traffic collision occurred at the intersection of Hawthorne Boulevard and Imperial Highway, City of Hawthorne. Based on preliminary information, a full-sized pickup truck was traveling westbound on Imperial highway and made a southbound turn onto Hawthorne Boulevard. As this vehicle negotiated the turn, it collided with a 23 year-old female and a 2 year-old male who were crossing the street together at the time. The collision caused severe injuries to these pedestrians.

The Hawthorne Police Department, Los Angeles County Sheriff and Los County Fire Department personnel responded and aided the victims at the scene. The injured parties were ultimately transported to Harbor UCLA Hospital for medical treatment. As of this posting, they are both currently in critical / guarded condition.

The driver of the vehicle was not injured in the accident and is cooperating with the Hawthorne Police Department Traffic Bureau in its investigation.

The public is asked for anyone who may have witnessed this collision today to please call Hawthorne Police Department Accident Investigator Neil Connor at 310.349.2710.

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