



## **Banning Police Department**

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### *Press Release*

**Date:** May 1, 2009

CASE #09-1511

**Location:** Phillips Street and Hoffer Street, Banning

**Incident:** Major Injury Traffic Collision

On 4-30-09, at approximately 6:42 P.M., Banning Police Officers responded to the area of Phillips Street and Hoffer Street in regards to a report of traffic collision involving a single motorized scooter. When officers arrived, they found that the driver, 38 year old Jose Zayas of Banning, had sustained a major head injury. Cal Fire responded to provide aid and determined that Zayas had life threatening injuries and needed to be flown to a nearby trauma center. Mercy Air arrived and transported Zayas to Desert Regional Medical Center. A witness reported that Zayas was traveling at a high rate of speed and not wearing a helmet at the time of the collision. The cause of the collision is still under investigation.

Any questions can be directed to the Banning Police Department Traffic Bureau at (951) 922-5521, attention Sergeant Arretche.