



Ukiah Police Department

Safety, Professionalism, Community Service

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Press Release: Vehicle vs bicyclist traffic collision UPD case # 17-2608

On September 11th at about 11:14 am, UPD officers along with fire and ambulance personnel, responded to the intersection of North State and Brush Street, for a reported traffic collision between a vehicle and bicyclist. Upon arrival officers found that the intersection had been cleared and the driver and bicyclist were both in the parking lot of a nearby business. During the subsequent investigation, officers learned that the 23 year old male driver was stopped in his delivery truck, westbound on Brush Street on a red light. When the intersection was clear the driver started to make a right turn to head northbound on North State Street. At the same time, the bicyclist was traveling the wrong direction southbound in a northbound lane of North State Street near the curb edge, when she collided with the delivery truck. The bicyclist received a laceration to her left leg and was transported to Ukiah Valley Medical Center by ambulance, where she was treated for her injury.

Bicycle Safety tips:

- *Always wear a helmet.*
- *Wear bright clothes.*
- *Go with the traffic flow. Ride on the right in the same direction as vehicles.*
- *Obey all traffic laws.*
- *Yield to traffic when appropriate.*
- *Stay alert at all times.*
- *Look before turning.*
- *Watch for parked cars and blind spots.*

As always, our mission at UPD is simple: to make Ukiah as safe as possible. If you would like to know more about crime in your neighborhood, you can sign up for telephone, cell phone and email notifications by clicking the Nixle button on our website: www.ukiahpolice.com.