Fatal Crash Follow-Up
Bowen Rd and Ridge Rd SE

Death Case Year
21

Death Case Number
30

Jurisdiction
MPD

CCN
21-139-411

Death Type
Motorcyclist/Moped

Address Location
Bowen Rd and Ridge Rd SE

Ward
7

Striking Vehicle
• Motorcyclist (MO)

Second Striking Vehicle/Object
• Motor Vehicle (MVT)

Crash Date and Time
Sep 27, 2021, 8:00:00 PM

Fatality Person
Motorcyclist/Moped
The preliminary investigation revealed that at approximately 8:00 pm, the operator of a Suzuki motorcycle was travelling northbound in the 4300 block of Bowen Road, Southeast. The operator of a Volkswagen Tiguan was travelling southbound in the 4400 block of Bowen Road, Southeast. As the Suzuki entered the intersection of Bowen Road and Ridge Road, SE, the Suzuki collided with the Volkswagen, striking it on the front passenger side. The impact of the collision, caused the operator of the Suzuki to be thrown from the motorcycle. DC Fire and EMS transported the operator of the Suzuki motorcycle to a local hospital for treatment of life-threatening injuries. As a result of the detectives’ investigation, it was revealed that the operator of the Suzuki motorcycle was travelling at a high rate of speed and was not using a headlight. On Tuesday, September 28, 2021, the victim succumbed to their injuries and was pronounced dead.

MPD Press release link


Site Visit(s)

complete

Factors/context discussed at site visit(s)

Speed

Actions Planned/Completed

Traffic calming including curb extensions and left turn traffic calming; upgraded lighting