# Media Information

**Columbus Division of Police**
**Date:**

**Homicide Bureau / Accident Investigation Unit**

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**Ext:**

**Type of Offense/Incident: Fatal Traffic Crash**     **Date: 01/25/2025**     **Time: 2:37 AM**

**Location of Offense/Incident: S. High St. / Fornof Rd.**     **Zone: 5**     **Precinct: 13**

**Incident Report #: 250056422**     **Cruiser District: 130**

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| **Victim: Vincent Baggatta** | **Sex: M** | **Race: W** | **Age: 18** |
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**Suspect:**     **Address:**

☐ **Arrested**     ☐ **Warrant on File**     **Sex:**     **Race:**     **Age:**

**Charges:**

**Suspect:**     **Address:**

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**Incident Summary:**   On 01/25/2025, at approximately 2:37 AM, a yet to be determined adult driver was operating a 2015 Infinity Q50 southbound on S. High St.  approaching Fornof Rd.  For reasons yet unknown, the unidentified driver drifted to the side of the road and struck a snowbank, causing the vehicle to destabilize.  The Infinity then left the roadway and struck a pole on the southwest corner of the intersection, ripping the right rear door from the vehicle and causing the Infinity to begin to rotate.  As the vehicle rotated, Mr. Baggatta was ejected from the vehicle and landed in the southbound lane approximately 175 feet from the initial impact.  Two adult males then fled the scene and were transported to medical facilities by private vehicles for treatment.  CFD Medic 14 transported Mr. Baggatta to Grant Medical Center where he was pronounced deceased at 3:15 AM.  The Columbus Police Accident Investigation Unit responded to the crash scene and initiated an investigaion, which is ongoing.

Any person with knowledge of the incident is encouraged to contact the Accident Investigation Unit at (614) 645-4767.  Persons wishing to remain anonymous may contact Central Ohio Crime Stoppers at (614) 461-8477

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