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June 3, 2026

BPC #26-143

The Honorable Karen Bass  
Mayor, City of Los Angeles  
City Hall, Room 303  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

The Honorable City Council  
City of Los Angeles, Room 395  
c/o City Clerk's Office

Dear Honorable Members:

RE: PAYMENT ON HIT-AND-RUN REWARD OFFER – DR NO. 25-15-04141

At the regular meeting of the Board of Police Commissioners held on Tuesday, June 2, 2026, the Board APPROVED the Department's report regarding the above-referenced matter.

Accordingly, this report is respectfully submitted for your consideration and approval.

Respectfully,

BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS

Handwritten signature of Rebecca Munoz in blue ink.

REBECCA MUNOZ  
Commission Executive Assistant

Attachment

c: Chief of Police

INTRADEPARTMENTAL CORRESPONDENCE

DS 5/12/26  
26-43

May 13, 2026  
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**TO:** Honorable Board of Police Commissioners

**FROM:** Chief of Police

**SUBJECT:** REQUEST FOR PAYMENT OF REWARD FOR DR NO. 25-15-04141

**RECOMMENDED ACTIONS**

1. That the Board of Police Commissioners REVIEW and APPROVE the attached application for Special Reward Payment.
2. That the Board TRANSMIT to the Mayor and City Council the Application for Special Reward Payment for review and approval.

**DISCUSSION**

It is requested that a \$50,000.00 reward be awarded to the Claimant for a Felony-Hit and Run investigation, DR No. 25-15-04141. Based on the information received from the Claimant, the suspect, Ryan Antonio Gomez Cifuentes, was positively identified as the Felony-Hit-And Run driver and was subsequently arrested and sentenced on September 22, 2025. Attached is the Application for Reward Payment.

On January 24, 2025, at approximately 9:38 p.m., a pedestrian was walking across the roadway southbound on Victory Boulevard, just east of Troost Avenue, in North Hollywood. The pedestrian was struck by the sideview mirror of an unknown vehicle traveling westbound on Victory Boulevard. The collision caused the pedestrian to fall to the ground. The unknown driver of the unknown vehicle failed to stop to render aid and identify themselves. While the pedestrian was on their hands and knees in the roadway he was struck by a second vehicle, described as a light blue or gray Toyota 4Runner. The driver of the Toyota 4Runner briefly pulled over and then drove away. That driver also failed to stop to render aid and identify themselves. The pedestrian died due to the collision.

The Claimant was walking on the north sidewalk of Victory Boulevard when he observed a pedestrian crossing in front of him. Suddenly, he heard a loud bang and turned around to see that the pedestrian had been struck by a Toyota 4-Runner, which had pulled over to the side of the road. The Claimant quickly approached the Toyota 4Runner, used his cell phone to take a photograph of the vehicle, including its rear license plate number. The Claimant watched as the driver of the Toyota 4-Runner fled the scene without stopping to render aid or identify themselves. The Claimant remained at the scene, provided the photograph to the responding

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officers, and gave detailed statements about what had occurred, fully cooperating with the investigation.

On February 13, 2025, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office filed one count of 20001(b)(2) of the California Vehicle Code, Felony Hit and Run causing great bodily injury or death, Case No. 25VWCF00199.

The license plate captured by the Claimant assisted the detectives in the identification and arrest of the Felony Hit-and-Run driver of the Toyota 4-Runner. The suspect was sentenced on September 22, 2025, on count (1); VC 20001(b)(2)-Felony-Hit and Run driving resulting in death or serious injury to another person. The suspect was given formal probation for a period of two years.

It is the opinion of the investigating detective that the Claimant qualifies for the \$50,000.00 reward. The information provided by the Claimant led to the identification, apprehension, and conviction of Ryan Antonio Gomez Cifuentes. Based on these facts, the \$50,000.00 reward funds should be paid to the claimant listed on the attached Application for Special Reward Payment.

If you require further information, please contact Captain Johnny Smith, Commanding Officer, Valley Traffic Division, at (818) 644-8033.

Respectfully,



JIM McDONNELL  
Chief of Police

Attachments

BOARD OF  
POLICE COMMISSIONERS  
Approved *June 2, 2026*  
Secretary *Rebecca Munoz*

CITY OF LOS ANGELES  
APPLICATION FOR SPECIAL REWARD PAYMENT

DISTRIBUTION

ORIG -- LAPD Mail to: Traffic Coordination Section, 100 W. First St, Room #469, Los Angeles, CA 90012

DUPE -- City Clerk  
DUPE -- Claimant

Neither the filing nor submitting of information, nor the receipt or consideration thereof by the City, shall establish legal claim to, or right of recovery of, any reward offered. The provision of payment shall be governed by Chapter 12, Division 19 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code.

1. PRINT NAME OF APPLICANT: Last, [redacted] First, [redacted] Middle, [redacted]

2. ADDRESS: (Street), [redacted] (City), [redacted] (State - Zip), [redacted]  
Daytime Phone & Contact Person, [redacted]

3. TODAY'S DATE: 1/26/25

4. OCCUPATION: [redacted]

5. DRIVER'S LICENSE # or CALIF ID #: [redacted]

6. SOCIAL SECURITY #: (For payment purposes) [redacted]

NOTE: The applicant is responsible for providing ALL of the following required information. A claim that does not provide the following required information may be disapproved for insufficient information.

7. DATE OF INCIDENT: 1/24/25

8. TIME OF INCIDENT: 9:39  AM  PM  
 NOON  MIDNIGHT

LOCATION OF INCIDENT: Victory & Troost

TYPE OF CRIME/INVESTIGATION: fatal hit-and-run

9. DESCRIPTION OF INCIDENT: young woman was struck and killed by a Toyota SUV on Victory Blvd. Vehicle pulled over for about 30 sec

12. X [redacted] APPLICANT SIGNATURE

13. X [redacted] PARENT OR GUARDIAN SIGNATURE (under 18 years)

INVESTIGATING OFFICER: Name: OLSON, Serial #: 44844, Agency: LAPD VTD  
Phone #: 818-644-8022

NAME OF VICTIM OR CASE: RAVEENA LETUA

RECOMMENDATION:  APPROVAL  DISAPPROVAL  INSUFFICIENT INVOLVEMENT  INSUFFICIENT INFORMATION

INVESTIGATION CHECKLIST ATTACHED:  Yes  No

BRIEF EXPLANATION OR COMMENTS: Wit took picture of U-3's license plate and fully cooperated w/ inv

REVIEWED AND APPROVED BY:

I was able to take a picture of the license plate of the vehicle that killed her. I provided all info in the form of a statement on the scene, I uploaded the pic to the link Officer Lopez sent me.

**CITY OF LOS ANGELES  
REWARD CLAIM CHECKLIST**

**This form must be submitted with the Department's recommendation concerning payment of the reward.  
One checklist must be submitted for each claimant.**

COUNCIL FILE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_ DR/AGENCY FILE NUMBER: 2515-04141  
TYPE OF CRIME/INVESTIGATION: Fatal Hit and Run REWARD AMOUNT: \$ 50,000  
REWARD EFFECTIVE DATE: \_\_\_\_\_ REWARD EXPIRATION DATE: \_\_\_\_\_  
INFO RECEIVED WHILE REWARD IN EFFECT:  YES  NO DATE RECEIVED: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Check one)  
CLAIMANT: [REDACTED] CLAIMANT'S OCCUPATION: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name or "Anonymous." If multiple anonymous claimants, indicate as "Claimant A, Claimant B," etc.).  
CASE INVEST. BY: LAPD Valley Traffic Division OTHER CITY DEPARTMENT: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Div/Section)  
Investigator(s) Assigned: Officer Olson #44844 Telephone: (818) 644-8022  
Detective II Martinez Telephone: (818) 644-8033  
(Name and Serial No.)

The above claimant is  **ELIGIBLE**  **NOT ELIGIBLE** to receive payment of a reward pursuant to the Los Angeles Administrative Code Division 19, Chapter 12, Sections 19.120 through 19.129.4.

**Reason(s) for claimant being NOT ELIGIBLE to receive payment**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Claimant is a City Officer, employee, or public officer or employee whose employment includes duties of law enforcement.                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Claimant obtained information for a relative who is a City Officer, employee, or public officer or employee, and that person obtained the information in the course of his/her employment. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Claimant is a dependent of a City Officer, employee, or public officer or employee whose duties include law enforcement.                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Claimant has not provided continued cooperation within the criminal justice system relative to the case for which the offer of reward is made.   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Claimant has already been compensated by his/her employer in some other manner for the actions which are the basis for claiming the reward. | <input type="checkbox"/> Claimant is co-suspect in the crime for which the reward is offered.   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> The suspect would benefit from payment of the reward to the claimant.   | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> The claimant is acting as an agent for the suspect.   |   |

Explanation:

(If additional space is needed, use next page.)

APPROVED BY \_\_\_\_\_ RANK/TITLE \_\_\_\_\_



# COMMUNITY ALERT



LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT  
OFFICIAL PUBLICATION OF THE VALLEY TRAFFIC DIVISION CRIME ANALYSIS DETAIL

## \$50,000 REWARD

### Fatal Hit & Run Traffic Collision

**MO:** On January 24, 2025, around 9:35 P.M., a pedestrian was walking across the roadway southbound on Victory Blvd, just east of Troost Ave when she was struck by a vehicle described as a minivan/SUV going westbound #1 lane on Victory Blvd. As the pedestrian was attempting to stand up, she was fatally struck by an additional vehicle described as a 2003, Toyota 4-Runner, see picture below.

LAPD is attempting to identify the hit and run vehicles/drivers and any witnesses in the area.

**Suspect Vehicle: Light Blue, Toyota 4Runner, License Plate: CA, 5DTE672.**

DATE	TIME	LOCATION	RD	DR#
01-24-2025	9:38 PM	Victory Blvd and Troost Ave	1525	2515-04141



Actual Suspect Vehicle (2<sup>nd</sup> vehicle)



2<sup>nd</sup> Hit and Run Vehicle, Toyota 4-runner (Actual photo)

Anyone with information about the crime is asked to call Valley Traffic Division Detective Section, Detective Martinez, Serial No. 34876 at 818-644-8033 or Investigator Olson, Serial No. 44844, at 818-644-8022. During non-business hours or on weekends, calls should be directed to 1-877-LAPD-24-7. Anyone wishing to remain anonymous should contact the LA Regional Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (800-222-8477) or go directly to [www.lacrimestoppers.org](http://www.lacrimestoppers.org). Tipsters may also visit [www.lapdonline.org](http://www.lapdonline.org), and click on "Anonymous Web Tips" under the "Get Involved-Crime Stoppers" menu to submit an online tip. Lastly, tipsters may also download the "P3 Tips" mobile application and select the LA Regional Crime Stoppers as their local program. Independent of any City or other reward offers, anonymous tipsters using the LA Crime Stoppers program may be eligible for up-to a \$1,000 cash reward based on arrest only (no conviction required).



1-800-222-TIPS (8477)

P3 Tips Mobile App

[www.LACrimeStoppers.org](http://www.LACrimeStoppers.org)