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## Grand Canyon News Release

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### **4-year-old girl dies from injuries sustained in fall at Grand Canyon**

**Grand Canyon, Ariz.** – A 4-year-old female was reported over the rim of the canyon shortly after 11:30 a.m. this morning. The girl fell about 450 feet below the rim, just west of Mather Point, the most popular scenic view in the park. The father of the girl scrambled down the cliff below the rim to reach his daughter. When rescue crews arrived on scene, the father had already begun CPR; however, the girl was pronounced dead on scene shortly thereafter.

The South Entrance Road along Mather Point was closed for a short time while a long-haul operation was conducted to remove the body of the girl from the canyon. The father was then removed via a short haul operation due to an ankle injury sustained from scrambling over the edge. The girl's body was transported to the South Rim helibase and turned over to the Coconino County Medical Examiner's Office in Flagstaff, Arizona. National Park Service rangers are conducting an investigation. Name is being withheld pending notifications.

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