

Google now killing its own as bus strikes and kills employee near Google Mountain View headquarters

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A sign outside Google headquarters is seen in Mountain View, Calif. (Paul Sakuma / Associated Press)

A woman struck and killed by a Google bus near the company's Mountain View headquarters has been identified as a Google employee, officials said Wednesday.

Emily Hong was walking near Charleston Road and Huff Avenue outside Googleplex, the company's corporate headquarters, when she was struck by the bus about 6:45 p.m. Monday, Mountain View police said.

The bus was carrying passengers at the time of the crash, although the number of those on board was not known, according to Mountain View police spokeswoman Katie Nelson.

When officers arrived at the scene, they found Hong lying in the roadway. They began performing CPR but were unsuccessful, and she was pronounced dead at the scene.

Hong worked in Google's finance department. The company would not release any additional information about her.

"We are devastated to learn of the tragic passing of a member of our Googler family," Google spokeswoman Gina Scigliano said in an emailed statement. "Emily ... brought an incredible spark to Google. She was inquisitive, creative, analytical, positive, generous and kind — our deepest condolences are with her family and friends."

Police said the bus driver remained at the scene and is cooperating with the investigation. Officials do not think the driver was intoxicated.