Delaware State Police Investigating Fatal Hit-and-Run Collision

Delaware State Police are investigating a fatal hit-and-run motor vehicle collision that occurred in the Claymont area on Sunday morning.

On September 4, 2022, at approximately 5:27 a.m., an unknown type of vehicle was traveling southbound on Interstate 495 approximately three miles north of the Governor Printz Boulevard offramp. At this time, a male subject was lying in the left southbound lane of I-495 for unknown reasons. As a result, the vehicle struck the pedestrian in the roadway. The unknown vehicle continued southbound without stopping and proceeded towards an unknown destination.

The pedestrian involved in this incident, a 68-year-old male Coatesville, Pennsylvania, was pronounced deceased at the scene. Identification of the victim is pending notification to the next of kin. At this time, there is no make, model, or operator description available for the vehicle that struck the pedestrian and fled the scene.

The roadway was not illuminated at the time of this incident, and the victim was wearing dark-colored clothing and did not appear to be carrying a lighted device. The roadway was closed for approximately three hours while the collision was being investigated and cleared.

The Delaware State Police Troop 2 Collision Reconstruction Unit continues to investigate this incident. Troopers are asking anyone who witnessed this collision to please contact Master Corporal J. Forester by calling 302-365-8485. Information may also be provided by contacting **Delaware Crime Stoppers** at 1-800-TIP-3333 or via the internet

at www.delawarecrimestoppers.com.

If you or someone you know is a victim or witness of a crime or have lost a loved one to a sudden death and need assistance, the Delaware State Police Victim Services Unit / **Delaware Victim Center** is available to offer you support and resources 24 hours a day through a toll-free hotline at 1-800-VICTIM-1 (1-800-842-8461). You may also email the Victim Services Unit at **DSP_VictimServicesMail@delaware.gov**.

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