State Police Investigating Fatal Hit-and-Run Crash

The Delaware State Police are investigating a fatal hit-and-run crash involving a pedestrian that occurred early this morning in Wilmington.

On March 12, 2023, at approximately 3:21 a.m., an unknown type of vehicle, possibly a silver or gray Honda, was traveling eastbound on Augustine Cut Off east of Rock Manor Avenue. At this time, the car exited the right side of the road and struck a road sign before returning to Augustine Cut Off and continuing eastbound. The car then struck a man who was walking on Augustine Cut Off east of Edgewood Road. The car fled from the area to an unknown destination and has yet to be located. The driver has also not been identified.

The pedestrian who was struck, a 79-year-old man from Wilmington, Delaware, was pronounced dead at the scene. Identification of the victim is pending notification to his family and relatives. No other vehicles were involved in this incident. The roadway was closed for approximately four hours while the scene was 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 Sergeant J. Jefferson by calling 302-365-8484. Information may also be provided by sending a Private Facebook Message to the **Delaware State Police** or contacting **Delaware Crime Stoppers** at 1-800-847-3333.

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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