

State Police Investigating Fatal Pedestrian Crash on I-495

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The Delaware State Police are investigating a fatal pedestrian crash that occurred last night on I-495 near Edgemoor that left one woman dead.

On July 7, 2024, at approximately 11:43 p.m., a white 2015 Honda Accord was traveling in the left lane of I-495 northbound, north of Edgemoor Road. At the same time, a pedestrian, who was not wearing any reflective clothing or carrying a flashlight, was attempting to cross from the left side of I-495 northbound to the right side. The pedestrian crossed in the path of the Honda and was struck in the left lane of I-495 northbound. After the collision, the Honda came to a stop on the left shoulder. During the investigation, it was discovered the pedestrian was initially operating a black 2014 Jeep Grand Cherokee, which was located approximately 1/4 mile north of the crash scene on the right shoulder with its hazard lights on.

The pedestrian, a 38-year-old woman from Elkton, Maryland, was pronounced dead at the scene. Her name is being withheld until her family and relatives are notified.

The driver of the Honda, a 47-year-old man from Bear, Delaware, was treated and released at an area hospital for minor injuries. The Honda's two passengers, a 46-year-old woman from New Smyrna Beach, Florida, and a 29-year-old man from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, were also treated and released at an area hospital for minor injuries.

The roadway was closed for approximately 3 hours while the

investigators examined the scene and cleared the roadway.

The Delaware State Police Troop 2 Collision Reconstruction Unit continues investigating this incident. Troopers are asking anyone who witnessed this crash to contact Master Corporal J. Forester by calling (302) 365-8485. 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.