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## CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE POLICE DEPARTMENT PRESS RELEASE

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## **Train Crash Fatality**

## Update:

Fort Lauderdale Homicide Detectives have identified the black male struck by the Tri Rail commuter train as George Edward Porter, 55, of Pompano Beach. He may also be known by the aliases George Jones, Ivory Thomas or David Jones.



Detectives are asking the public for help locating his family. Anyone with information about Porter or his family is asked to contact Detective DiCristofalo at 954-828-6096.

## Original:

The Fort Lauderdale Police Department is investigating a train crash fatality that occurred at approximately 7:15 A.M. on Monday, December 26<sup>th</sup>, 2011. The fatality occurred on the CSX railroad tracks located between Sunrise Boulevard and Northwest 6<sup>th</sup> Street, in the City of Fort Lauderdale.

Preliminary investigation has revealed that an unidentified black male attempted to cross the CSX tracks, from east to west, and was struck by the southbound Tri Rail commuter train. The unidentified male was pronounced deceased on-scene.

This is an active and on-going investigation. Detectives are encouraging anyone with information regarding this incident to contact Detective DiCristofalo at 954-828-6096.