

## CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE POLICE DEPARTMENT PRESS RELEASE

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## SINGLE MOTORCYCLE TRAFFIC FATALITY

The Fort Lauderdale Police Department is investigating a single vehicle traffic fatality that occurred on April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2012, at approximately 8:00 P.M. The incident occurred in the 2200 block of West Broward Boulevard in the City of Fort Lauderdale.

Investigators have learned that Ricardo Rivero, W/M, 4/20/1972, an Edgewater Florida resident, was operating a 2003 Harley Davidson motorcycle. Rivero was traveling eastbound on West Broward Boulevard in the right lane and was stopped at the traffic light at Northwest 24<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

When the light turned green, Rivero accelerated eastbound towards the Northbound Interstate 95 on-ramp, alongside another motorcycle. Rivero was unable to negotiate the curve to enter onto the Interstate 95 entrance ramp and locked up the brakes. The motorcycle slid across the pavement, along with Rivero. Rivero then disengaged from the motorcycle after the vehicle struck the south curb.

Rivero was trauma alerted to Broward General Medical Center where he was later pronounced deceased.

The incident is still under active investigation.

Anyone with further information regarding the fatality is encouraged to contact Investigator Cheri Creque at 954-828-5825.

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