

## CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE POLICE DEPARTMENT

PRESS RELEASE

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## HIT & RUN

The Fort Lauderdale Police Department is investigating a Hit and Run accident that occurred on Sunday, April 29, 2012. The accident took place approximately 200 feet north of the intersection of Seabreeze Boulevard and Poinsettia at approximately 1:29 A.M.

Preliminary investigation has revealed that a black sedan-type vehicle was southbound on Seabreeze Boulevard approaching the intersection of Poinsettia. At that point, the vehicle struck a pedestrian who was walking. The vehicle did not stop and continued southbound on Seabreeze Boulevard and then westbound on Poinsettia. A witness followed the vehicle, but lost sight of it a short time later.

The victim has been identified as Melvin Gouthro, W/M, 7/24/1970, and a Fort Lauderdale resident. He was transported to Broward General Medical Center with life threatening injuries.

The investigation into this crash continues. Investigators state that the suspect vehicle should have front-end damage and possible windshield damage. Anyone with information regarding this accident or who may have witnessed it is encouraged to contact Traffic Homicide Investigator Jill Hirsch at 954-828-5753.

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