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HIT & RUN
SERIOUS INJURIES

UPDATE 05.20.13:

Traffic Homicide Investigators have located and seized the suspect's vehicle. Investigators are requesting the public's assistance in identifying the individual who was driving the Volkswagen at the time of the crash.

The unidentified witness was captured on a nearby business surveillance. Investigators have learned that this black, 4-door truck followed the suspect vehicle after the crash. The driver of the truck was an unknown W/M. This W/M spoke to the driver of the suspect vehicle and then left the area.



Investigators are encouraging the driver of this truck to come forward and assist with this on-going investigation. Anyone with information is asked to contact Investigator Jill Hirsch at 954-828-5753.

ORIGINAL 05.15.13:

The Fort Lauderdale Police Department is investigating a hit and run traffic crash, with serious bodily injuries, that occurred on Tuesday, May 14th at approximately 6:06 P.M. The incident occurred in the 5200 block of Northeast 18th Avenue in the City of Fort Lauderdale.

A young toddler spontaneously ran from the sidewalk in front of his residence and into the southbound lanes of Northeast 18th Avenue, when he was struck by a red, Volkswagen, Beetle that was traveling southbound on Northeast 18th Avenue.

The front end of the Volkswagen struck the child, sending him to the ground. The driver of the vehicle did not stop and continued to drive southbound on Northeast 18th Avenue.

The child sustained serious injuries and was trauma alerted to Broward Health Medical Center where he is listed in serious condition.

A Good Samaritan witnessed the crash and provided investigators with the suspect vehicle's Florida license plate. Investigators believe an unidentified witness, followed the suspect vehicle and ultimately spoke to the unknown driver.

This is an active and on-going investigation. Traffic Homicide Investigators are urging anyone who may have information regarding the driver of this vehicle to contact Investigator Jill Hirsch at 954-828-5753.

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