

CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE POLICE DEPARTMENT PRESS RELEASE

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HIT & RUN FATALITY

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BFhzoEABFj4

The Fort Lauderdale Police Department is investigating a hit & run fatality that occurred on Thursday, February 11th, at approximately 7:50 PM. The crash occurred in 1600 Block of North Dixie Highway in the City of Fort Lauderdale.

Preliminary investigation has revealed that a cyclist operating his bicycle in the southbound lane of North Dixie Highway was stuck from behind by an unknown silver vehicle also traveling southbound on North Dixie Highway. Following the crash, which caused the cyclist to suffer lifethreating injuries, the driver of the silver vehicle then left the scene; continuing southbound and failing to stop or render aid to the injured cyclist.

The cyclist was transported to Broward Health Medical Center where he succumbed to his injuries at 1:56 AM on Friday, February 12th.

The cyclist has been identified as Charles Blackledge, W/M, 04/20/1969; a resident of Fort Lauderdale.

Investigators have recovered the above surveillance video footage showing the vehicle believed to be involved in this fatality.

The investigation into this fatality is on-going. Anyone with information regarding this incident should contact Traffic Homicide Investigator Russell Brown at 954-828-5754, or Broward Crime Stoppers at 954-493-TIPS (8477).

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