

FORT LAUDERDALE POLICE DEPARTMENT PRESS RELEASE

Detective Katherine Collins Public Information Office (954) 828-5464 KCollins@fortlauderdale.gov

January 3, 2008

HIT AND RUN

The Fort Lauderdale Police Department is requesting help from the public in identifying the driver of a vehicle that crashed into a rickshaw ride, (Pedi-Cab), seriously injuring three occupants on January 1, 2008 at approximately 1:15 a.m. on the East Las Olas Bridge over the Intracoastal Waterway.

Investigators learned the rickshaw ride was carrying the driver and two passengers, traveling westbound on East Las Olas Boulevard over the Intracoastal Bridge. An unknown vehicle crashed into the rear of the rickshaw causing it to overturn, ejecting all three occupants. The hit and run vehicle never stopped and fled the scene in an unknown direction. The rickshaw driver sustained minor injuries and both female passengers sustained serious bodily injuries. Both passengers remain hospitalized at Broward General Medical Center.

Pedacyclist:

NAME: Raymond Walker – 36 yoa ADDRESS: Ft. Lauderdale, Florida

Passenger:

NAME: Julie Perry – 33 yoa

ADDRESS: Ft. Lauderdale, Florida

Passenger:

NAME: Susan Finnerty – 46 yoa ADDRESS: Ft. Lauderdale, Florida

At this time no witnesses have come forward. We are seeking information from any person who may have seen this crash or have knowledge of the hit and run vehicle. Anyone with information is encouraged to contact Traffic Homicide Investigator Cindy Love at 954-828-5755.

###