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Fatal Pedestrian Hit and Run Crash - 400 block of 28th Street South

Date / Time of Release:  November 30th, 2013 / 0100 hours

Incident:  Delayed Fatal Pedestrian Hit and Run Crash

Location:  400 block of 28th Street South

Date / Time of Incident:  November 29th, 2013 / 1940 hours

Brief Description of Incident:
A pedestrian, Phelestine Larose Smith (B/F, 01/08/1964, 2918 4 Av S, St Pete) was walking eastbound across 28th Street at the alley between 4th Avenue and 5th Avenue South. A small four door sedan, possibly silver in color, was northbound in the curb lane of 28th Street. The vehicle failed to yield to the pedestrian and struck her. The pedestrian was projected onto the vehicle and then fell to the pavement. The vehicle stopped briefly, then took off at a high rate of speed, westbound onto 4th Avenue South. Smith suffered life threatening injuries and was transported to Bayfront Medical Center where she was pronounced dead at 2202 hours. (Smith’s daughters were at the hospital at the time she was pronounced.)

The St Petersburg Police Department is looking for a small to mid-sized four door sedan; light, possibly silver in color. The vehicle should have damage to the front end, hood and/or windshield. Anyone who may have seen the crash, or who may have information about the vehicle or the crash is asked to call 727-893-7780.

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