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Henrico Police Continues to Investigate Deadly Hit-and-Run Crash

Update 3:

(Henrico County, Va.) – Investigators with the Henrico County Police Division have identified two potential vehicle models that may have been involved in a fatal hit-and-run crash earlier this month.

Evidence collected from the 5700 block of Nine Mile Road on July 5 indicates the vehicle involved in the fatal crash could be a:

- 2012-2014 silver Nissan Sentra, or
- 2009-2018 silver Nissan Altima



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This vehicle should have significant damage to the front passenger side due to the collision. Investigators request auto body shops to be on the lookout for damage to this section of the vehicle which would be consistent with a serious crash.

The preliminary investigation indicates an adult female victim, identified as **Howquana Kara Bugg**, was walking against traffic (westbound) on the shoulder of the eastbound lanes of Nine Mile Road when the driver of the suspect vehicle, traveling in the right eastbound lane, struck the victim. The driver involved in the crash then fled the scene, traveling towards Highland Springs. Henrico Police also asks the public to keep their eyes open in the Newbridge Road/Highland Springs area for the vehicles described above with significant damage.

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Anyone with information on this crash or information about the person responsible, please contact Crash Team Investigator R. Hostetler at (804) 501-5000. You can also submit tips anonymously through Crime Stoppers at (804) 780-1000 or by using P3tips.com. Crime Stoppers offers rewards up to \$1,000 for information that leads to the arrest and conviction of a suspect.

Update 2 (July 10, 2024):

(Henrico County, Va.) – Henrico Police has now classified a hit-and-run crash on Nine Mile Road as a fatality.

On Tuesday, July 9, 2024, the adult female victim involved in Friday’s hit-and-run crash in the 5700 block of Nine Mile Road succumbed to injuries sustained in the incident. Investigators have identified her as **Howquana Kara Bugg, 25, of Henrico.**

The 21-month-old infant involved in the crash remains hospitalized in serious condition.

“The driver’s senseless act of leaving the scene of a crash has left a family heartbroken and now a young child without a mother,” said **Henrico Police Lt. Dave Turner.** “We’re asking anyone with information on who this driver may have been to come forward and provide answers in this investigation.”

Investigators continue to follow up on leads from the public. Currently, the preliminary investigation indicates the driver of the sedan/coupe (possibly silver in color) continued driving eastbound towards Highland Springs. Henrico Police asks the public to keep their eyes open in the Newbridge Road/Highland Springs area for this vehicle which may have damage to the front passenger side.

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Update 1 (July 5, 2024):

(Henrico County, Va.) – Henrico Police continues to investigate a hit-and-run crash that occurred in the Varina District.

On Friday, July 5, 2024, at approximately 1:15 a.m., Henrico Police responded to the 5700 block of Nine Mile Road for a reported vehicle versus pedestrian crash. Once on scene, officers located an adult female and an infant who appeared to have been struck by a vehicle. Both victims were transported to an area hospital with life-threatening injuries. The vehicle involved in the crash drove away from the scene.

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The preliminary investigation indicates the adult victim was walking against traffic (westbound) on the shoulder of the eastbound lanes of Nine Mile Road when the driver of the suspect vehicle, believed to be a silver sedan/coupe, traveling in the right eastbound lane, struck the victim. The driver involved in the crash then fled the scene.

Anyone who may have seen or heard something around the time of this incident is asked to contact Henrico Police Crash Team Investigator R. Hostetler at (804) 501-5000. You can also submit tips anonymously through Crime Stoppers at (804) 780-1000 or by using P3tips.com.

(Henrico County, Va.) – At 0115hrs, Henrico Police responded to an accident in the 5700 block of Nine Mile Road. Upon arrival, officers located one adult female victim and a juvenile victim that appeared to have been struck by a vehicle. Both victims were transported to an area hospital with life threatening injuries. The suspect vehicle fled the scene and we do not have a suspect at this time. The Henrico Police Crash team is enroute to investigate the crash.

Anyone who may have information they think may be helpful are encouraged to contact Henrico County Police at (804) 501-5000, Crimestoppers at (804) 780-1000, or submit the information through the P3Tips application on their mobile device. Information submitted through Crimestoppers and the P3Tips application can be completed anonymously.

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