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Independent Investigations Division Investigating Fatal Collision in Montgomery County

BALTIMORE, MD (April 27, 2024) – The Independent Investigations Division (IID) of the Maryland Office of the Attorney General is investigating a fatal crash following an attempted traffic stop that occurred in Rockville, Montgomery County, Maryland, Saturday morning.

On April 27, 2024, at approximately 2:25 a.m., two on-duty Montgomery County Sheriff Deputies, riding together in a marked police cruiser, were in the area of Rockville Pike near Flanders Avenue, when they observed a Dodge sedan traveling north on Rockville Pike at a high rate of speed. Approximately thirty-five seconds later, the deputies activated their emergency equipment. While attempting to locate the Dodge sedan, the deputies came upon a two-car collision involving the Dodge near the intersection of Rockville Pike and Twinbrook Parkway. Preliminarily, investigators believe the Dodge sedan collided with a Honda sedan that was turning onto Rockville Pike to head south. The driver of the Honda, an adult female, was pronounced dead on the scene. A passenger in the Dodge was taken to an area hospital for treatment. The driver of the Dodge, an adult male, fled the collision on foot and was apprehended by police a short time later.

The IID, with assistance from the Maryland State Police Crash Team, is investigating the circumstances leading up to the crash. Anyone with information about this investigation is asked to contact the IID at (410) 576-7070 or by email at <u>IID@oag.state.md.us</u>.

The IID will generally release the name of the decedent and involved deputies within two business days of the incident, although that period may be extended if there is a specific reason to believe that an officer's safety is at risk.

The deputies were equipped with body-worn cameras. The IID will generally release body-worn camera footage within 20 business days of an incident. There may be situations where more than 20 days are necessary, including if investigators need more time to complete witness interviews, if there are technical delays caused by the need to shield the identities of civilian witnesses, or to allow family members to view the video before it is released to the public.

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