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UPDATED

Fatal Pedestrian Motor Vehicle Accident

Niles, IL – On 12/27/2018 at approximately 6:24 p.m. officers from the Niles Police Department responded to Greenwood Avenue and Betty Terrace for a motor vehicle accident involving a pedestrian. The pedestrian was crossing Greenwood Avenue at Betty Terrace from west to east. As the pedestrian entered into the northbound lanes of Greenwood vehicles stopped to avoid the pedestrian. However as the pedestrian continued to cross the intersection a vehicle struck the pedestrian in the curb lane.

The NORTAF Major Crash Assistance Team had been called to the scene to assist in the investigation. The victim was pronounced deceased by an Emergency Room Doctor at Lutheran General Hospital at 7:09 p.m. The victim is Michael J. Potwora, a 72 year old male from Niles.

The Niles Police Department Detective Bureau assisted the Patrol Bureau in the accident investigation. The Niles Police Department has identified all parties involved and our investigation continues. At this time there is no one in custody or charges pending.

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