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Case #15-501207

Woman Dies after being Struck by Vehicle

January 22, 2015—Sheriff's Deputies responded to a crash where a vehicle struck a mother and daughter in a crosswalk. The mother did not survive her injuries.

On January 22, 2015, at 7:38 p.m., Washington County Sheriff's Deputies were called to NW Barnes Road and NW Monterey Place in the community of Cedar Mill concerning a crash involving one vehicle and two pedestrians.

Sheriff's Deputies arrived and found a 2007 Ford Escape, driven by John Lawson, 66, from Aloha, was turning west onto NW Barnes Road. He was turning at a traffic light exiting St. Vincent Hospital. Deputies determined that Mr. Lawson turned directly into a mother and daughter who were in the crosswalk crossing NW Barnes Road south from St. Vincent Hospital. Mr. Lawson remained at the scene and cooperated with investigators.

Sheriff's Deputies found that Sherry Glassman-Beebe, 54, from Berkley, California, was walking with her mother, Sandra Glassman, 80, from Coos Bay. Both women were transported to Emanuel Hospital. Sandra Glassman was pronounced deceased shortly after arriving at the hospital. Sherry Glassman-Beebe sustained minor injuries.

The Washington County Crash Analysis Reconstruction Team responded to assist with diagrams and processing evidence. The west bound lanes of NW Barnes Road were closed for about two and a half hours to complete the investigation.

Investigators determined that Mr. Lawson was likely turning on a green light did not see the women who were crossing on a green crosswalk light. John Lawson received a citation for Failure to Yield to Pedestrian. There does not appear to be any criminal charges at this point in the investigation.