

Scooter Rider Killed Intentionally in Hit and Run

Salt Lake City police are currently investigating a tragic incident that occurred in the early hours of Monday morning. A 61-year-old man, who was riding a scooter at the time, was fatally hit by a car in what authorities suspect may have been an intentional act.

The driver of the vehicle involved in the incident fled the scene, prompting a search by officers to locate both the driver and their vehicle. The incident took place at approximately 1:15 a.m. in the vicinity of 1020 West 1000 North in Salt Lake City.

During the ongoing investigation, law enforcement officials have determined that the driver purposely targeted the 61-year-old man on the scooter. However, it remains unclear at this stage whether the driver and the victim were acquainted with each other.

Sgt. Mark Wian, speaking on behalf of the Salt Lake City Police Department, explained, "Detectives believe that a car was traveling westbound on 1000 North when it turned around and it appears that it intentionally crossed traffic and hit the man on a scooter that was traveling westbound on 1000 North."

Although officers who arrived at the scene promptly initiated life-saving measures, sadly, the 61-year-old man succumbed to his injuries and was pronounced dead at the scene.

As the investigation continues, the area has been closed off to traffic for several hours to facilitate police officers in meticulously examining evidence and making efforts to locate the responsible driver.

Detectives are urging residents and businesses in the vicinity to examine any security camera footage or recorded doorbell videos that could potentially provide valuable information for the investigation.

Anyone who possesses information regarding the incident or the driver involved is requested to contact the Salt Lake City Police Department at 801-799-3000.

This tragic incident now marks the sixth fatality related to traffic and the eleventh homicide in Salt Lake City thus far in 2023.