



NEWS RELEASE

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WOODLAND PARK CROSSING GUARD STRUCK BY VEHICLE AND KILLED IN AREA OF MCBRIDE AVENUE AND LACKAWANNA AVENUE IN WOODLAND PARK, NJ

PATERSON, NEW JERSEY:

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Passaic County Prosecutor Camelia M. Valdes and Woodland Park Chief of Police Luigi DeLuca announce that on May 4, 2026, at approximately 3:35 p.m., a Woodland Park crossing guard assisted two juveniles across the intersection at McBride Avenue and Lackawanna Avenue when they were struck by a vehicle. The crossing guard, an 80-year-old female resident of Woodland Park, was transported to Saint Joseph's University Medical Center where she was subsequently pronounced deceased. The two juveniles were also transported to the hospital and are in stable condition. The driver of the vehicle remained on scene.

This investigation is active and ongoing. More information will be released when it becomes available.

The Passaic County Prosecutor's Office asks anyone with additional information about this incident to contact us on our tips line at 1-877-370-PCPO or tips@passaiccountynj.org; submit an anonymous tip via our website at <https://pcponj.opsnetwork.org/tips>; or contact the Woodland Park Police Tip Line at 973-345-8117.

For media inquiries concerning this case, contact Chief Assistant Prosecutor Allan Nawrocki of the Passaic County Prosecutor's Office Fatal Investigations Unit at anawrocki@passaiccountynj.org or at (973) 837-7768.