



NEWS RELEASE

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ONE KILLED IN MOTOR VEHICLE COLLISION IN THE AREA OF WARWICK TURNPIKE & LAKE SHORE DRIVE IN HEWITT, NEW JERSEY

PATERSON, NEW JERSEY:

June 2, 2026

Passaic County Prosecutor Camelia M. Valdes and West Milford Chief of Police Shannon Sommerville announce that on May 31, 2026, at approximately 5:55 p.m., a motor vehicle collision occurred in the area of Warwick Turnpike and Lake Shore Drive in Hewitt, New Jersey. The collision involved a Dodge Charger and a Nissan Pathfinder. The driver of the Dodge Charger, a 30-year-old male from Bardonia, New York, was medevacked to Saint Joseph's University Medical Center. He succumbed to his injuries on June 1, 2026, and was pronounced deceased. The driver of the Nissan Pathfinder, a 28-year-old male from Hewitt, New Jersey was also transported to the hospital for further evaluation and released.

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>.

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.