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Re: Fatal Crash

For Immediate Release – Public

ALTOONA, Wis. – On July 8, 2026 around 5:00am, Altoona Police responded to a crash at the intersection of Sawgrass Place and Saint Andrews Drive in the City of Altoona. Officers found that a commercial motor vehicle (CMV) had struck a pedestrian. Officers and EMS performed lifesaving measures that were ultimately unsuccessful.

Officers investigated the crash, which suggested a pedestrian was crossing the road when struck by the CMV. The driver of the CMV fully cooperated with the investigation. The Wisconsin State Patrol assisted by mapping the scene and conducting a CMV inspection.

The driver of the CMV was cited for failing to yield to a pedestrian at an uncontrolled intersection and failure to yield at a stop sign resulting in death.

This is all the information that will be released at this time.

Respectfully,
Chief Kelly Bakken