



# CITY OF FORT WAYNE

SHARON TUCKER, MAYOR

Police Department • Paul Smith, Police Chief

## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

**Date:** 10/4/2026

**Location:** Lafayette St & Wayne St

**Time:** 1950hrs

**Details/Summary:** Fort Wayne Police officers responded at approximately 7:50 p.m. to a report of a vehicle versus pedestrian crash on Lafayette Street near Wayne Street.

Upon arrival, officers located an adult male suffering from injuries consistent with being struck by a vehicle. Officers immediately began providing emergency medical care, including CPR, until medics arrived. The victim was transported to a local hospital, where he was later pronounced deceased.

The Fort Wayne Police Department's Fatal Accident Crash Team (FACT) was requested to respond to the scene. Air Support also responded to assist investigators with documenting and mapping the crash scene.

Preliminary information from witnesses indicates that a motorcycle was traveling northbound on Lafayette Street when it struck a pedestrian who was crossing Lafayette Street. Investigators are continuing to work to determine the circumstances surrounding the crash. Investigators are reviewing available business surveillance camera footage and examining vehicle parts and other evidence located at the scene.

The investigation remains active, and no further information regarding the identity of the deceased or potential charges is available at this time.

Anyone who witnessed the crash or has information, surveillance video, or other information that may assist investigators is asked to contact the Fort Wayne Police Department or Crime Stoppers.

Additional information will be released as it becomes available.

Sgt. John Nichter, Public Information Officer

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