



Hamilton County Sheriff's Office

Jim Neil, Sheriff

MEDIA RELEASE



SERIOUS INJURY AUTO CRASH CLOSES IR-275 WESTBOUND IN SYMMES TOWNSHIP

Symmes Township, June 5th, 2016 – Hamilton County Sheriff Jim Neil reports a serious injury auto crash which closed the westbound lanes of IR-275 near Loveland-Madeira Road in Symmes Township on Sunday, June 5th, 2016 at 7:24pm.

Kaila Kolianos, female, age 23 of Liberty Township, Ohio was operating a 2007 Hyundai Tucson westbound in the right lane of travel on IR-275 near Loveland- Madeira Road when she experienced unknown type mechanical problems. Ms. Kolianos was unable to drive her vehicle onto the right shoulder and became disabled in the right lane of travel.

Holly M. England, female, age 40 of Fairfield, Ohio was operating a 2009 Volkswagen Jetta, westbound in the left lane of IR-275, also near Loveland-Madeira Road. Mrs. England was changing lanes from the left lane to the right lane of travel when she encountered Ms. Kolianos' disabled vehicle. Mrs. England was unable to take any evasive action and struck Ms. Kolianos' vehicle. Ms. Kolianos, prior to the crash, had exited her vehicle and was standing to the front of it. During the crash event, Ms. Kolianos' vehicle struck her, throwing her onto the right shoulder and forcing her vehicle across all lanes of IR-275. Mrs. England's vehicle traveled off the right side of the roadway.

The Loveland-Symmes Fire Department responded to the scene and transported Ms. Kolianos and her daughter, age 5, who was a rear seat passenger seated in a child seat to Bethesda North Hospital. While at the hospital Ms. Kolianos' condition was downgraded from serious to critical condition. Ms. Kolianos' daughter was treated and released to family members. Mrs. England was also transported to Bethesda North Hospital where she was treated and released.

Mrs. England was wearing her seatbelt at the time of the crash. Speed and drugs do not appear to be a factor in the crash. Alcohol is believed to have contributed to the crash. IR-275 westbound was reopened at 11:30pm.

The crash remains under investigation by the Hamilton County Sheriff's Traffic Safety Unit.

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