



Hamilton County Sheriff's Office

Jim Neil, Sheriff

MEDIA RELEASE



SERIOUS INJURY CRASH IN THE VILLAGE OF ADDYSTON

Village of Addyston, April 11, 2017 – Hamilton County Sheriff Jim Neil and Chief Dorian LaCourse, Addyston Police Department, report a serious injury traffic crash which occurred in the 400 block of Three Rivers Parkway (U.S. 50) in the Village of Addyston on April 11, 2017 at 8:24 a.m.

A 2014 Chevrolet pickup operated by Christopher Benter, male, age 27, was traveling westbound in the 400 block of Three Rivers Parkway. Mr. Benter allowed his vehicle to travel left of center and enter into the eastbound lanes of Three Rivers Parkway. As Mr. Benter's vehicle continued it struck a 2014 Acura which was traveling eastbound on Three Rivers Parkway. The Acura was being operated by Sarah Kern, female, age 31, of West Harrison, Indiana.

Both Mr. Benter and Mrs. Kern had to be mechanically extricated from their vehicles. Mr. Benter was transported to University Hospital by the Miami Township Fire Department. He is being treated for non life-threatening injuries. Mrs. Kern was transported to University Hospital by the Delhi Township Fire Department. She is being treated for life-threatening injuries.

Mrs. Kern was wearing a seatbelt at the time of the crash, Mr. Benter was not.

Excessive speed was not a factor in the crash. Drugs are believed to have been a factor in the crash.

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

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