



OFFICIAL MEDIA RELEASE  
KENT COUNTY SHERIFF DEPARTMENT



DATE: September 1, 2016  
TYPE OF INCIDENT: Fatal Accident  
COMPLAINT NUMBER: 16-143126  
REPORTING OFFICER: Deputy J. Taylor  
SUPERVISOR APPROVAL: Sgt. E. Rakow

Narrative:

On Thursday, September 01, 2016 at approximately 5:40AM, the Kent County Sheriff Department investigated a fatal accident at the intersection of Byron Center Ave and 76<sup>th</sup> St. in Byron Twp.

Preliminary investigation revealed at the time of the accident, traffic on 76<sup>th</sup> St had a flashing red light and traffic on Byron Center had a flashing yellow light. A 59 year old female from Hudsonville driving a 1998 Oldsmobile Intrigue eastbound on 76<sup>th</sup> St. She did not stop for a flashing red light. She was hit by 33 year old male from Wyoming driving a 2010 Ford F150 southbound on Byron Center. The two vehicles ran off the road in the southwest corner of the intersection. The female driver was pronounced deceased at the scene of the accident. The male driver was treated at the scene by AMR and released.

The accident is still under investigation.

Names will be released when next of kin has been notified.

**\*\*\*UPDATE\*\*\***

The name of the driver of the Oldsmobile is Cindy Drier, 59 years old, from Hudsonville. She suffered fatal injuries. The driver of the Ford is Luis Rivera Ortiz, 33 years old, from Wyoming.