Merced Police Department

PRESS RELEASE

September 20, 2013

Sgt. Jay Struble
Patrol Division
Office: (209) 385-4739
Cell: (209)564-2160

For Immediate Release

Date and Time: 09-15-13 9:22 PM

Location: E. Highway 140 and Kelly Avenue

Incident: Fatal Hit and Run Traffic Collision

Suspect: Jessie Madrano (32, Merced)

Case Number: 13-45304

On 09-15-13 at approximately 9:22 P.M. the Merced Police Department responded to East Highway 140 and Kelly Avenue for an injury accident. When officers arrived they located Ivy Spratling (41, Merced) lying in the roadway. The vehicle that struck Spratling fled the scene. Spratling was transported to a local hospital where she later passed away. The suspect vehicle was traveling westbound on E. Highway 140, coming off the Bradley overpass when Spratling was struck. The suspect vehicle fled the scene westbound on E. Highway 140 after the driver stopped, got out of his vehicle and looked at Spratling lying in the roadway.

Traffic Collision investigators were called to the scene to conduct the investigation. Officer McKeeman was able to locate and identify the suspect vehicle on 09-19-13. The suspect vehicle is a black, 2013 Honda Accord, Sport, 4 doors. The Merced Police Department now has the Honda in evidence. The vehicle was located in the 3400 block of De Anza Court, parked in a drive way covered with a car cover.

The driver of the vehicle has been identified as Jessie Madrano (32, Merced). Madrano is currently wanted by the Merced Police Department, and there is an active warrant for Madrano's arrest charging him with felony hit and run and vehicular manslaughter.

Anyone with information regarding this incident, or the whereabouts of Madrano, is requested to call Merced Police Department at 209-385-6905, Sergeant Struble (209)385-4739 or the Merced Police Department Tipster Line at (209) 385-4725.

X X X X X

Jessie Madrano (32, Merced)