

# Ft. Pierce Police Department

## News Release

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**R. Sean Baldwin**

*Chief of Police*



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### Fort Pierce pedestrian dies from injuries

**FORT PIERCE** – A Fort Pierce man died from injuries sustained when a car struck him as he crossed South 13<sup>th</sup> Street two days ago.

Lorenzo De La Cruz, 23, of 1010 Nebraska Avenue, was pronounced dead at 10:39 a.m. today, Tuesday, March 9, 2010, said Officer Scott Ceckanowicz.

On Sunday, March 7, 2010 at about 11:30 p.m., De La Cruz and his roommate were walking home east on Kentucky Avenue after leaving a friend's house where they had been drinking. As the men approached the intersection of South 13<sup>th</sup> Street and Kentucky Avenue, De La Cruz attempted to cross the street ahead of his roommate when he was struck by a 1992 Toyota driven by Wilfrid Silvain, 63, of 1308 Havana Avenue.

On the night of the traffic crash De La Cruz was taken to Lawnwood Regional Medical Center, where he died. Silvain and his passenger were not injured.

Officer Ceckanowicz said the traffic crash will now be investigated as a traffic homicide.

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