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Crash claims life of Shreveport woman

A woman is dead and a man injured following an early morning car crash in north Shreveport.

On July 18, 2020, just before 3:00 a.m., Shreveport Police were dispatched to the intersection of Murphy Street and Pete Harris Drive on reports of a major crash. Arriving officers found a Kia sedan and a tractor-trailer in the intersection. The female driver of the Kia was pronounced deceased on the scene. The male driver of the tractor-trailer was transported to Ochsner LSU Health Hospital with non-life threatening injuries.

Crash Investigators responded to the scene and from roadway evidence and witness statements taken at the scene deduced that the driver of the Kia sedan ran the red light as she travelled northbound through the intersection. The tractor-trailer was travelling eastbound and struck the car. The driver of the tractor-trailer voluntarily submitted to toxicology testing. Investigators did not suspect impairment of the driver of the tractor-trailer but the toxicology reports are pending.

Detectives cite disregard for traffic signals and possible impairment of the decedent as contributors to the crash.

The Caddo Parish Coroner's Office took custody of the decedent and will release her name later after proper identification and notification has been made.

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