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Wanted For A Fatal Hit and Run-1800 block of 98th Avenue.

Oakland, CA – Today, the Oakland Police Department’s Traffic Investigations Section released the name and photo of a person who is wanted in connection with a fatal hit and run.

On January 17, 2020, at 3:22 PM, in the 1800 block of 98th Avenue, one of our beloved community members, Miesha Singleton, a mother of 7 children, was struck and killed by a car traveling northbound. The driver did not stop. Because of you, our community, tips lead our investigators to the abandon vehicle.

We have been actively searching for Henry Melendez who is wanted in connection with this fatal hit and run.

Collectively the department has been working with the U.S. Marshals to locate and arrest Melendez. We are confident we will bring Melendez to justice and provide closure for the Singleton family and our community.

Melendez is described as a male Hispanic, 26-years-old, 5’7”, 137 pounds, with brown eyes and dark hair.



The Oakland Police department and Crime Stoppers of Oakland are offering a reward of up to \$10,000 for information leading to an arrest in this case (510) 777-8572.

Anyone with information is asked to contact the Oakland Police Department's Traffic Investigation Unit at (510) 777-8570.

BACKGROUND: On January 17, 2020, at 3:22 PM, Oakland Police officers were dispatched to the 1800 block of 98th Avenue to investigate a report of a pedestrian struck by a vehicle.

Upon arrival, officers discovered that a 2004- 2006 Nissan Maxima, white was traveling southbound in the 1800 block of 98th Avenue. The driver of the Nissan passed another vehicle which was stopped yielding to a pedestrian who was crossing eastbound in a marked crosswalk. The Nissan struck the pedestrian and continued without stopping.

The pedestrian was identified as 40-year-old Miesha Singleton who was pronounced deceased at the scene.

It is unknown if alcohol or drugs are a factor in this hit and run. This incident is still under investigation.

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