

# MIAMI POLICE DEPARTMENT



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## FATAL CRASH

Shortly after 2:00 a.m., the Miami Police Department responded to a traffic crash involving a red Kia Soul and a motorcycle at the intersection of NW 7 Avenue and NW 20 Street.

Upon arrival, officers located the vehicle and motorcycle in the bushes of a nearby building. The motorcyclist was transported to Jackson Memorial Hospital where he unfortunately succumbed to his injuries. He's been identified as **34-year-old John Koontz**.

Preliminary investigation, based on witness statements and evidence collected at the scene, indicates that the Kia was traveling southbound on NW 7 Avenue at a high speed and failed to stop at the red light. The motorcyclist was traveling eastbound on NW 20 Street when the collision occurred.

The driver and passenger of the Kia, a male and female respectively, were treated on scene for minor injuries and transported to Miami Police Central Station for questioning. The driver has been arrested for Grand Theft Vehicle and charges on the accident are pending.

The investigation is ongoing, and the Miami Police Department is working to determine the circumstances surrounding the crash.

See attached Arrest Affidavit.

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