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## Woman struck by car in west Salem dies

**Salem, Ore.** — A west Salem resident injured in a collision with a vehicle on May 11 has died.

The collision between the pedestrian and the driver of a van occurred at the Edgewater ST NW on-ramp to westbound Salem-Dallas HW at approximately 1:25 a.m. that Saturday morning.

Officers and medical personnel responded and aided the pedestrian, identified as 62-year-old Patricia Ann Estrada. She was transported to Salem Health with life-threatening injuries.

The Salem Police Traffic Team's preliminary investigation revealed that Estrada was positioned on the shoulder of the on-ramp and moved into the van's path as the driver proceeded to access the highway.

The van driver, Melodi Lynn Kraemer, age 43 of Dallas, called for police and remained at the scene.

Estrada, who was hospitalized, died from her injuries on Sunday evening, May 26.

The incident is the fourteenth major traffic investigation this year, resulting in 14 fatalities.

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