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Young Man Dies Following Vehicular Accident on Melvin Evans Highway

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Scene of auto accident on Wednesday afternoon.

ST. CROIX — A young man on Thursday morning succumbed to injuries sustained during an auto accident Wednesday afternoon on the Melvin Evans Highway in the vicinity of Home Depot.

According to V.I.P.D. Public Information Officer Toby Derima, on Wednesday at approximately 5:15 p.m., the 911 Emergency Call Center dispatched officers to the accident scene.

Mr. Derima said officers observed a two-vehicle accident involving a gray Ford F-150 and a white Toyota Yaris. An investigation into the accident revealed that the Toyota Yaris, traveling west, entered the eastbound lane. The Ford F-150, traveling east, collided into the Toyota Yaris, despite evasive measures taken by the driver of the Ford F-150, according to the police report.

Both drivers were transported to the Juan F. Luis Hospital and Medical Center for treatment. The driver of the Ford F-150 was treated and released. The driver of the Toyota Yaris was seriously injured, succumbed to his injuries on Thursday.

The driver of the Toyota Yaris was identified as 19-year-old Julio Carmona III.

The investigation into this accident, conducted by officers of the Traffic Investigation Bureau, is ongoing.

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