

Massachusetts State Police investigating fatal crash in Attleboro

A rollover crash of a passenger van on Route 95 in Attleboro yesterday morning resulted in two deaths and ten seriously injured.

Preliminary investigation by Trooper Michael Bartucca indicates that at about 11:05 a.m., a 2004 Ford Econoline van was traveling on Route 95 Northbound in the area of Exit 3 when it was struck by a 2018 Toyota RAV 4, which was also traveling northbound in an adjacent lane. Both vehicles then crossed over the median.

The van rolled over and crashed in the southbound travel lanes and the Toyota, which did not roll over, came to rest in the breakdown lane on the southbound side. All eleven people in the van were ejected during the rollover. The van was operating as part of a tour group which caters to the Polish/American community. It is believed that this tour may have picked up passengers in Philadelphia, P.A., Trenton, Linden, and Wallington, N.J., and New York City, with a destination of various sites in Massachusetts.

The occupants of the van were transported to Rhode Island Hospital for treatment. Two people in the van have since been pronounced deceased. The operator of the Toyota, a 32-year-old East Providence, Rhode Island woman, was transported to RI Hospital for treatment of minor injuries.

This crash remains under investigation with assistance from the State Police Collision Analysis and Reconstruction Section, Crime Scene Services Section, Troop H Detectives, and Troopers assigned to the Bristol County District Attorney's Office. No charges have been filed at this time.

State Police were assisted on scene by Attleboro, North Attleboro, Pawtucket, Cumberland, Central Falls, and Seekonk Fire and EMS, and Attleboro, North Attleboro, and Plainville PD, as well as MassDOT.

Identification of the occupants of the van is ongoing. Further information will be released when available and appropriate.