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Pedestrian Struck by Vehicle

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On August 11, 2010 at approximately 12:50 a.m. Bluffton Police officers responded to a traffic collision involving a pedestrian near the intersection of HWY 278 and Simmonsville Road.

Investigation into this incident revealed that a black 2006 Pontiac travelling eastbound in the center lane struck a male after passing through the intersection of HWY 278 and Simmonsville Road. The male was attempting to cross from the south side of HWY 278 (Walgreens area) to north side (Belfair Village). Witnesses indicated that the Pontiac had a green light and that the male darted out in front of the vehicle.

The driver of the Pontiac was Janae Allen (01-16-1986) of 6A Covington Lane, Bluffton, SC. She had her infant daughter in the back seat of the vehicle and neither of them were injured. The pedestrian information is not being released at this time until the next of kin can be contacted. He was airlifted to Savannah Memorial Hospital and as of this morning, he is listed in critical condition.

The Bluffton Police Department recommends individuals walking or bicycling at night to wear reflective clothing and to obey all traffic laws relating to the movement of pedestrians and bicycles.