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Incident: **Fatal Accident**

MESSAGE

On September 26, 2013 around 4:45pm, members of the Rockford Police and Fire Departments were sent to the 400 block of S. Chicago Ave in reference to a child struck by a vehicle. Upon arrival, paramedics located a 6 year male on the sidewalk who had been run over by a vehicle driven by his 50 year old mother. The child was transported to a local hospital where he later died.

Initial investigation revealed the child ran over to the vehicle which was in the driveway and was standing in the open door when the mothers foot came off the brake pedal causing the vehicle to go in reverse. The child was knocked to the ground by the door and under the vehicle. The vehicle then drove over the top of the child.

The names of the mother and child are not being released at this time. Both are Rockford Residents.

The Rockford Police Department Traffic Unit is currently conducting the investigation.

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