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PRESS RELEASE

On November 1, 2011 at about 4 p.m. Nampa Police responded to a report of a traffic crash involving a pedestrian near the intersection of 12th Ave. Rd. and Sherman Ave. Upon arrival police determined that two juveniles were attempting to cross west bound across 12th Ave. Rd when a male juvenile age 13 was struck while in the crosswalk. The vehicle driven by Misty M. Houghton age 41 of Nampa was traveling in the left north bound lane of 12th Ave. Rd. and failed to stop before striking the juvenile. The juvenile was transported to an area hospital with minor injuries. The driver was issued a citation for failure to yield to a pedestrian in a crosswalk I.C 49-702.

49-702. Pedestrians' right-of-way in crosswalks. (1) When traffic-control signals are not in place or not in operation the driver of a vehicle shall yield the right-of-way, slowing down or stopping, if need be, to yield to a pedestrian crossing the highway within a crosswalk.

Nampa Police would like to take this opportunity to remind drivers to be on the lookout for pedestrians. There have been several pedestrian accidents in the last few months. Investigations have shown that speeding, inattention or failures to yield are generally the causes for these accidents. Nampa police have been stepping up crosswalk enforcement and will continue to do so in an attempt to make the city streets safe for all pedestrians.

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