San Diego County Crime Stoppers and investigators from the San Diego Police Department’s Traffic Division are asking for the public’s help in identifying and locating the person responsible for colliding with a motorcyclist and then fleeing the scene in the Pacific Beach area.

On May 20, 2017, at 2:15 p.m., the driver of a silver colored Jeep Grand Cherokee was stopped in traffic along the northbound #1 lane of 4500 Mission Bay Drive. The driver of the Jeep made an illegal U-turn into the southbound lanes. A motorcyclist was traveling southbound in the #1 lane of 4500 Mission Bay Drive and struck the rear end of the Jeep. The motorcyclist was immediately ejected into the air upon impact and landed in the roadway with a severe leg injury. The driver of the Jeep did stop, ran towards the victim, and then immediately turned around and got back into the Jeep. The driver fled the scene and was last seen getting onto southbound Interstate 5.

The motorcyclist suffered fractured bones in his right leg and remains hospitalized pending a second surgery.

Suspect and Vehicle Description:

The suspect is described as an unknown race male wearing a blue shirt. The suspect’s vehicle is described as a possible 2014 or newer silver colored Jeep Grand Cherokee with a possible rear yellow paper plate or out of state plate. The Jeep sustained moderate rear end damage including a shattered rear windshield.

Investigators are asking anyone who may have recorded any part of this incident on their cell phone to please contact them.

***Video surveillance of the incident can be found at the below link. A picture of the suspect vehicle can be found on page 2 of this release.***

https://youtu.be/SVc9iGKcKks

Anyone with information on the identity or location of the suspect or suspect’s vehicle is asked to call SDPD’s Traffic Division at (858) 495-7808 or the Crime Stoppers anonymous tip line at (888) 580-8477. Crime Stoppers is offering up to a $1,000 reward to anyone with information that leads to an arrest in this case. Anonymous email and text messages can be sent via www.sdcrimestoppers.org.

- Media inquiries about this case or Crime Stoppers can be directed to Officer Mark Herring at (619) 531-1500 or email at msherring@pd.sandiego.gov.
Suspect Vehicle