



# CITY OF CLEARWATER

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## CHILD RUNS INTO TRAFFIC, STRUCK BY SUV

**WHO:** Gabriel Johnson (Victim)  
DOB 12-25-07  
Clearwater, Fla.

Robert C. Tausinger (Driver)  
DOB: 2-19-61  
Clearwater, Fla.

**WHAT:** Vehicle vs. Pedestrian

**WHEN:** March 19, 2010  
7:32 p.m.

**WHERE:** Cleveland Street & Frederica Avenue  
Clearwater, Fla.

**SUMMARY:** Clearwater Police Traffic Investigators are investigating a traffic crash involving an SUV and a 2-year-old child. According to preliminary information, the child was at the corner of Cleveland Street and Frederica Avenue with his mother and other children, possibly siblings, when the child left the sidewalk and ran into the path of a SUV driving westbound on Cleveland Street.

Clearwater Fire & Rescue responded and treated the boy for his injuries. The extent of the child's injuries was not immediately known, but the child was responsive. The child was transported by air ambulance to Bayfront Medical Center as a precaution. Once at the hospital the child's injuries were said to be serious. The driver was not charged. The investigation continues

