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Belle Plaine man suffers life-threatening injuries in Sunday afternoon crash outside Jordan

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A Belle Plaine man suffered life threatening injuries during an accident that occurred just outside of Jordan on Sunday afternoon.

According to the Minnesota State Patrol report, at 3:13 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 15, Christopher Allen St. Martin, 40, of Belle Plaine was riding a 2015 Harley Davidson Roadster northbound on Highway 169 when a 2010 Ford Taurus driven by Edward Merle Blackstad, 75, of Sleepy Eye pulled out in front of him from Delaware Avenue.

St. Martin was on his way to work at Anchor Glass Container Corporation in Shakopee when the accident occurred.

St. Martin suffered life threatening injuries and was transported to North Memorial Hospital.

Blackstad and two passengers, Catherine Joyce Blackstad, 75, and Kierra Linn Blackstad, 22, also of Sleepy Eye, suffered non-life threatening injuries and were transported to St. Francis Hospital.

Edward Blackstad's airbag was deployed in the crash.

According to Minnesota State Patrol Media Contact Tiffani Nielsen, the state patrol will be reconstructing the crash. When the investigation is complete, it will be sent to the Scott County Attorney to review for any charges.


A GoFundMe account has been set up to assist St. Martin with medical expenses. As of Monday afternoon, \$570 of a \$5,000 goal had been donated.

"Chris faces months of recovery and rehab with his loving wife Carissa by his side," the GoFundMe page states. "Those of us who are lucky enough to know Chris know he is the kind of person who would drop everything to help his friends, well now it's our turn to help him out."

To donate, go to www.gofundme.com/n9r6me-chris-st-martin-recovery-fund

The Jordan Police Department, Belle Plaine Fire Department and Scott County Sheriff's Office also responded to the accident.

This story will be updated as more information becomes available.

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