

Charlotte-Mecklenburg police handled 20 pedestrian fatalities last year, more than double the total for 2015, which was nine, according to Sgt. Dave Sloan with the major crash investigations unit.

By # The family of Breondra Newman, 22, is looking for answers after she was hit by two cars and killed early Saturday morning in southeast Charlotte, Newman's older brother, Biko Burt, told the Observer. # Newman was pronounced dead at the scene in the 9600 block of South Tryon Street around 4 a.m., Charlotte-Mecklenburg Police said. # A little while before Newman was killed, police said she and two other people were dealing with a disabled car near the intersection of South Tryon Street and Westinghouse Boulevard. # The car was towed away, and police gave the other two people rides home, according to a CMPD news release. Police offered Newman a ride home, according to the news release, but she stayed at the scene after the disabled car was towed away. Digital Access for only \$0.99 # Citing witness statements and evidence, police said Newman may have been drinking before she was killed. # Burt said his sister's phone and ID were towed away in the disabled car, and the family wants to know why his sister was left alone, late at night, potentially intoxicated and with little means to get help. # " We're gon na make sure that proper protocol, good judgment and moral compass was followed " when the officers made the decision to drive away, he said. # According to a CMPD news release, police are reviewing all video footage of the incident to " ensure that the officers' actions were consistent with CMPD policy. " Burt said