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**PUBLIC INFORMATION REPORT
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
March 20, 2016**

<u>Nature of Release:</u> Death Investigation	<u>Date and Time of Incident:</u> March 19, 2016 Approximately 11:52 P.M.
<u>Incident Location:</u>	Intersection of Linden Street and Beech Street Vandergrift Borough
Decedent: Richard C. Lunden, 31 y/o male Address: White Cloud Road Leechburg, PA 15656 Allegheny Township Date and Time of Death: March 20, 2016 at 1:52 A.M.	
Incident Details: Cause of Death: Pending Manner of Death: Pending	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Westmoreland County Coroner, Kenneth A. Bacha, has released the following information.▪ Richard C. Lunden was the operator and lone occupant of a Subaru WRX traveling north on Linden Street.▪ For an unknown reason, the decedent traveled onto the west sidewalk and collided with a fire hydrant at the above incident location.▪ The decedent was found unresponsive and not breathing within the vehicle by police and emergency medical personnel.▪ Deputy Coroner Timothy P. O'Donnell investigated the incident and pronounced the decedent dead at the scene.▪ An autopsy was performed by Dr. Cyril H. Wecht and Pathology Associates on March 20, 2016.▪ The decedent did not die as a result of injuries related to the vehicle collision.▪ Cause and manner of death will be pending autopsy and toxicology results.▪ Peters Funeral Home of Natrona Heights are in charge of funeral arrangements.▪ Vandergrift Police Department also investigated and will release additional details at their discretion.	
<p>***** No further information is available from this office at this time. *****</p>	