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MOTORCYCLIST INJURED IN TEMPLE TERRACE CRASH

TEMPLE TERRACE, FL. – (4/1/13) – A 26-year-old Tampa man was seriously injured in a motorcycle crash Monday morning in Temple Terrace, police said.

Benjamin Frederick Lankford, of 14621 Grenadine Drive, Apt. 1, Tampa was airlifted to Tampa General Hospital, where he was listed in critical condition Monday afternoon, according to the Temple Terrace Police Department.

The crash occurred at 8:48 a.m. Monday at the intersection of 56th Street and Park Ridge Avenue in Temple Terrace. Witnesses said Lankford was traveling northbound on 56th Street, weaving in and out of traffic.

A Jeep Grand Cherokee driven by Arvid Martin, 60, of 315 Park Ridge Ave., Temple Terrace was turning left to go southbound on 56th Street when his vehicle was struck by Lankford's motorcycle, police said.

The motorcycle then struck a telephone pole, throwing Lankford from the bike, police said. Martin was not injured in the vehicle crash.

The crash remains under investigation.

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