

Hit and Run Accidents Rampant in Los#Angeles#

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While hit-and-run accidents are a nationwide problem, Los Angeles is leading the way with staggering figures. According to AAA, 44% of all reported traffic accidents in Los Angeles are caused by hit-and-run drivers. This problem has received little or no media attention or public outcry. So, if you are in an accident in the Los Angeles area, there is a high likelihood that it will be a hit-and-run.

Los Angeles Uninsured Motorist Attorney Barry P. Goldberg not only advocates increased enforcement but encourages his friends, clients and neighbors to carry sufficient Uninsured Motorist Coverage to protect themselves from there hit-and-run accidents.

This problem is aggravated by the unbelievably high numbers of drivers in Southern California who are either unlicensed or have revoked licenses. In fact, unlicensed/revoked licensed drivers account for an estimated 51.2% of all hit-and-accidents. That percentage is growing because the problems causing unlicensed drivers are getting worse.

These statistics become even more frightening when you consider that 60% of hit-and-run accidents involve pedestrians, and about 20% of pedestrian fatalities are due to hit-and-run accidents according to AAA.

There are some things you can do to protect yourself from these criminals who hit-and-run. "Deadly hit and run crashes most often occur on weekends and during the evening. Fifty-eight percent of fatal hit and run crashes occur on Friday, Saturday, or Sunday; forty-seven percent of fatal hit and run crashes occur between 9 p.m. and 3 a.m." (*Peter Kissinger of the National Highway Traffic Safety administration*.)



Los Angeles Uninsured Motorist Attorney Barry P. Goldberg recommends that people limit driving during these times if possible. Needless to say, being a pedestrian late at night on the weekend must be avoided at all costs. Further, California drivers must purchase sufficient Uninsured Motorist Coverage which covers the policy holder and his/her family from hit-and run accidents---even if they are pedestrians.

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Since obtaining recovery for hit-and-run accidents is complex and involved, it is absolutely necessary to consult with counsel immediately to make certain that all reporting and time deadlines are met. For more information about blog author and attorney Barry Goldberg's hit and run expertise, please visit his web page, Los Angeles Hit and Run Accident Attorney.

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