Auto Body Work Fatality File

Mechanic dies after accident at auto repair shop

HARTFORD, Conn. (AP) — Police say an auto mechanic severely injured when a vehicle fell off a lift and onto him at a repair shop over the weekend has died.

The 22-year-old man was injured at a Hartford shop on Sunday afternoon. He was taken to the hospital with critical injuries. Police announced Monday that he had died. He was identified as Cristian Soto-Carrasquillo.

Police say what appears to be a “tragic accident” likely resulted from the improper placement of the lift’s arms.

The address police gave for the death is Gurabo Auto Sales.

The death remains under investigation and police have notified the state Department of Motor Vehicles and the federal Occupational Safety and Health Administration.