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Skydiving Accident Turns Fatal for Grantsville Resident

A 30 year old Grantsville woman involved in a skydiving accident at the Tooele Valley Airport in Tooele County has died as a result of her injuries sustained in the accident.

On June 16, 2013 (Sunday) at approximately 1:00p.m.Tooele County Dispatchers received a 911 call from airport officials that a skydiver had "taken a hard landing" during a recent parachuting activity. EMT's and a physician who were at the facility immediately began administering care to the victim until medical crews were able to arrive.

Tooele County Sheriff's Deputies, North Tooele Fire District First Responders and paramedics from Mountain West Medical Center responded to the airport to find a female who was unconscious but breathing. The victim sustained injuries to the head and neck as well as to her legs. Air Med transported the victim to the University of Utah Medical Center where she immediately underwent surgery. Tooele County Sheriff officials understand despite the attempts of first responders in the field and physicians at the medical center the victim did not survive her injuries.