



CUDAHY POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Cudahy, WI- On Friday, August 12th, at 10:20 a.m. the Cudahy Police Department responded to a complaint of multiple suspects abandoning a Dodge van southbound on S. Kirkwood Ave. at E. Squire Ave. The vehicle had no license plates and a damaged steering column. It was later learned that this was a unreported stolen vehicle out of the City of Milwaukee. Multiple subjects were seen rapidly exiting the vehicle, entering a grey Dodge Stratus and leaving the scene at a high rate of speed. A vehicle description was called out over the police radio to attempt to locate the Dodge Stratus.

A Cudahy Police Detective observed the Dodge Stratus traveling northbound on S. Packard Ave. He also observed a second vehicle, a Dodge Neon, with the Dodge Stratus. Both operators were driving recklessly. It was later learned the Stratus was stolen in the 3800 block of E. Squire Ave. and the Neon was stolen in the 3600 block of E. Underwood Ave., in Cudahy. Those vehicle thefts had not yet been reported.

A Cudahy Police Officer in a marked squad car immediately got into position to assist the Detective. As the traffic stop was initiated, the Dodge Neon attempted to negotiate a right turn onto Mallory Avenue, travelling eastbound. The vehicle lost control, striking a traffic control light. Two subjects abandoned the Dodge Neon and attempted to go to the Dodge Stratus. A police officer blocked the front of the Dodge Stratus, preventing their escape. A civilian observed the incident and blocked the rear of the Dodge Stratus with his vehicle. The two subjects in the Neon fled the scene on foot. All four subjects were taken into custody from the Stratus. The two subjects who fled from the scene on foot were also taken into custody.

A police officer was responding to back up officers at S. Packard Ave. and E. Mallory Ave. The officer was involved in a crash with an uninvolved vehicle at the intersection of S. Kirkwood Ave. and E. Munkwitz Ave. The Milwaukee County Sheriff's office was called in to investigate the law enforcement involved crash. The police officer and the civilian operators declined medical treatment at the scene. Assistance was received from Cudahy Fire Department, and law enforcement from Saint Francis, Oak Creek, and South Milwaukee.

Six subjects are in custody pending further investigation. No suspects report injury. The investigation is ongoing.

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