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A Driver of Stolen Truck Crashes Into a Tree After Hitting Two Police Cars

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On Wednesday, December 23, 2021, 3:09 a.m., Washington County Sheriff's Office deputies responded to a hit-and-run crash in the 16,000 block of NW Brugger Road in the Enhanced Sheriff's Patrol District (ESPD) community of Bethany. Deputies learned a community member saw someone attempting to free their Ford F-150 truck that was stuck in a field. As the community member tried to help, the F-150 became free. The driver of the F-150 backed into the community member's car and left the scene.

A deputy located the F-150 in the Tanasbourne area of the city of Hillsboro. The deputy saw the truck driving recklessly by running a red light and driving into oncoming lanes of traffic. The deputy activated their overhead lights and siren to stop the F-150, but the truck continued to accelerate at a high rate of speed in an attempt to elude the deputy. The deputy did not pursue the F-150.

A short time later, a Hillsboro Police Officer located the F-150 entering Highway 26 eastbound from the NE Cornelius Pass Road onramp. Hillsboro officers and Sheriff's deputies followed the F-150 at a distance until it exited the highway at NW Barnes Road and went into a parking lot near Providence St. Vincent's Hospital.

The F-150 exited the parking lot onto NW Barnes Road and hit a Beaverton Police vehicle. The Beaverton Officer in that vehicle stated that the driver of the F-150 intentionally hit him. The collision caused minor damage to the vehicle. The Beaverton officer was not injured.



Deputies and Hillsboro Officers again tried to stop the F-150 by activating their overhead lights and sirens, but the F-150 did not stop. The F-150 eventually turned into a hotel located at 15042 NW Cornell Road. As the truck was driving through the parking lot, it made a turn and began to fishtail. The driver lost control, side-swiped a Hillsboro Police car, and crashed into a tree. The Hillsboro Officer, whose car was side-swiped, was not injured.

The driver, 35-year-old Anthony DeHerrera, was taken into custody without incident. Deputies determined the truck was stolen and believed DeHerrera was under the influence of narcotics. DeHerrera was transported to a local hospital for precautionary reasons and later lodged in the Washington County Jail for the following crimes:

- Attempted assault in the second degree



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- Reckless driving
- Fleeing or attempting to elude police officer (Felony)
- Recklessly endangering another person
- Driving under the influence of intoxicants
- Failure to perform duties of driver – two counts
- Unlawful entry into a motor vehicle – three counts
- Possession of weapons by certain felons
- Possession of a stolen vehicle
- Theft in the second degree

The [Enhanced Sheriff's Patrol District](#) (ESPD) provides law enforcement services to more than 237,000 residents in the urban areas outside of cities in Washington County, including Bethany, Cedar Mill, Cedar Hills, Aloha, Reedville, Garden Home, Metzger, Rock Creek, Raleigh Hills, Bull Mountain, Bonny Slope, West Slope, Oak Hills, and more. Voters first approved the ESPD in 1987 and all local option levies since then.



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