

## BIRMINGHAM POLICE DEPARTMENT PRESS RELEASE

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## HIT AND RUN DRIVER CAPTURED

BIRMINGHAM, MI. – On August 30, 2023 at approximately 8:08 p.m., Birmingham officers responded to the area of Quarton Road and Lakeside Road for a 3-vehicle traffic crash. The driver who caused the crash fled on foot through backyards on Lakeside Road.

The suspect's vehicle had extensive damage, a hole in the windshield consistent with a head striking it, and a large amount of blood. Birmingham officers immediately searched the area with the assistance of Bloomfield Township Police Department's K-9 unit and an Oakland County Sheriff's Office drone team.

Officers learned the male suspect walked away from a group home in another city, was off medication, and may have been experiencing a mental health problem. He also fled from a traffic stop with a neighboring police jurisdiction earlier in the evening.

On August 31, 2023 at approximately 2:30 a.m., Birmingham dispatch received a call from a Redding Road resident who observed a male run through his yard. Officers arrived shortly after and located the hit-and-run suspect hiding in the bushes. They took him into protective custody and transported him to the hospital for medical attention. He was subsequently issued a ticket for fleeing the scene of a personal injury accident, released to the hospital for medical care, and petitioned for a mental health evaluation. There is no threat to the community.

The Birmingham Police Department would like to thank the Bloomfield Township Police Department and the Oakland County Sheriff's Office for their partnerships and dedication to public safety.

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