

NEWS RELEASE FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE September 25, 2021

Fargo Injury Hit and Run Crash

What: Injury hit and run crash.

Where: 500 block University Drive S, Fargo

When: Saturday, 09/25/2021, approximately 2:22 AM CDT

Road Conditions: Good

Weather Conditions: Seasonal normal

Crash Involvement: 2-vehicle

Type of Crash: Angle (Tbone), fixed object

Agencies Involved: North Dakota Highway Patrol, Fargo PD, Cass County Sheriff's

Department, Fargo Fire Department, FM Ambulance.

Vehicle No. 1: 2018 Jeep Grand Cherokee

Driver No. 1: Under investigation **Restraints:** Unknown, airbag deployed

Charges: Under investigation

Passenger No. 1: Uyin Alau; male; age 23; of Fargo, ND; serious injuries

Restraints: unknown, airbags deployed.

Passenger No. 2: Tashay Northern; female; age 23; of West Fargo; injuried

Restraints: unknown, airbags deployed.

Vehicle No. 2: 2016 Mazda 6

Driver No. 2: Braxton Schmidt; male; age 22; of Bismarck, ND; serious injuries.

Restraints: Seatbelt worn; airbag deployed.

Charges: none



NARRATIVE: Schmidt was eastbound on 5th Street S crossing University Drive in Fargo when he was struck by the Jeep Grand Cherokee. The Jeep was traveling at a high rate of speed after fleeing a traffic stop by Fargo, PD. The front of Jeep stuck the driver side door of the Mazda 6. After crashing the vehicles struck nearby trees and a power line. The Mazda came to rest in the middle of University Drive and the Jeep came to rest in a residential yard on the east side of University Drive. Both vehicles suffered heavy damage in the crash. Schmidt was transported by FM Ambulance to Fargo Sanford for treatment of serious injuries. Alau and Northern were transported by FM Ambulance to Essentia Health for treatment of serious injuries. The driver of the Jeep fled from the scene before Law Enforcement arrived. The crash remains under investigation by the NDHP. Xcel Energy was called to the scene and stabilized the damage done to a utility pole. The intersection was closed for several hours while the crash was investigated.

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