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KENT COUNTY SHERIFF DEPARTMENT



Date: 03/27/2015

Complaint Number: 15-114292

Type of Incident: Breaking and entering / Pursuit

Reporting Officer: Deputy Patrick Stewart

Supervisor Approval: Sgt. Randy Kieft

On 3/27/2015 at approximately 1945 hours, a deputy was doing a routine business check at the address of 920 74th St SW in Byron Township. The building is under construction and had been a location of previous break in's. The deputies found a rear overhead door open and entered the building. Once inside deputies observed a male subject standing beside a vehicle. They advised the subject to put his hands in the air and he then got into the vehicle and sped towards the open overhead door. Deputies were able to safely get out of the suspects way as he exited the building. Other deputies that were responding to the location located the suspect vehicle leaving the property and attempted to stop the vehicle. The suspect failed to stop and a pursuit ensued. The vehicle went north on US-131 from 76th St and the pursuit was terminated near 44th St.

Michigan State Police Troopers later located the suspect vehicle in the City of Grand Rapids and attempted to stop the suspect. He again failed to stop and was pursued back onto north bound US-131 from Wealthy St. The suspect led the chase into the City of Walker before doubling back into Grand Rapids where he crashed his vehicle at the intersection of Lake Michigan Drive and Covell Ave. There were no other vehicles involved in the crash. The driver was transported to the hospital for an evaluation and released. He is currently lodged at the Kent County Correctional Facility.

The suspect is being investigated by the Kent County Sheriff Department as possibly being involved in a number of break in's in the Byron Township area.

Cooperating agencies involved were the Kent County Sheriff Department, Michigan State Police, Grand Rapids Police Department and the Walker Police Department.

If you have any information regarding this incident, please contact the Kent County Sheriff's Department at 616-632-6100.