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Fleeing Suspect Rams a Police Cruiser

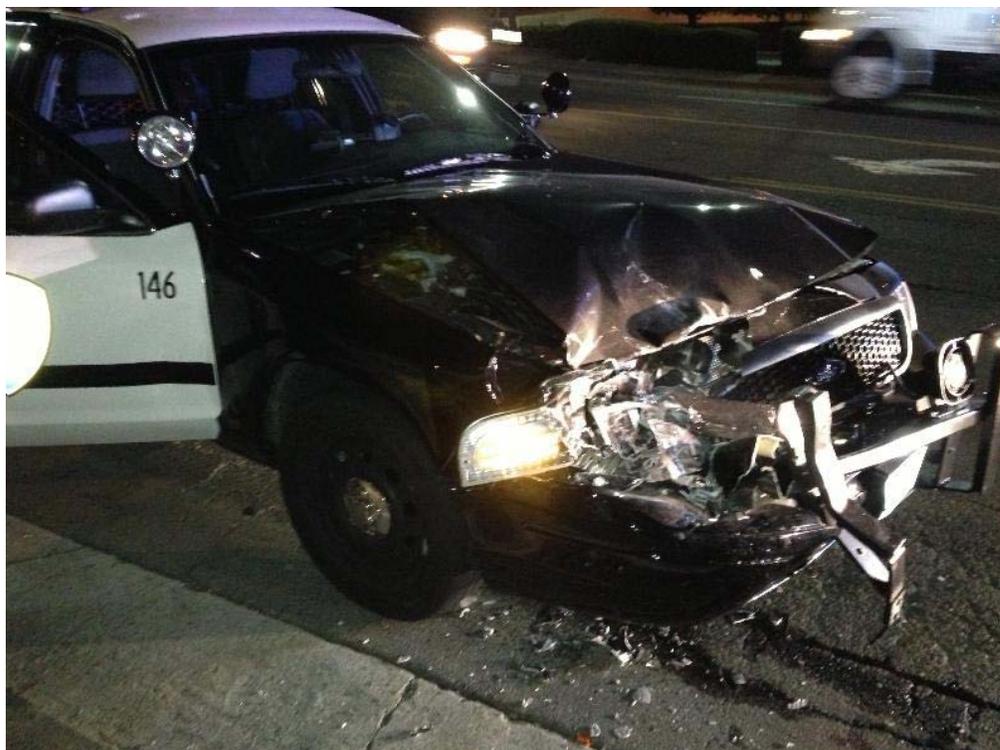
On September 14, 2013 at 11 P.M. Vallejo Patrol Officers spotted a car that was wanted for evading officers a few days prior for traffic violations. The officers tried to conduct a traffic enforcement stop on a Chevrolet El Camino in East Vallejo.

The driver of the El Camino was later identified as, Tae Kwon Do Henry Clay Maxwell, 35 years old from San Pablo. Maxwell turned off the cars headlights and flailed to Yield to the officers red lights and siren. Maxwell fled the officers in a reckless manner. The officers lost sight of the car however it was seen a short time later by another responding Vallejo Police unit. This two man unit pursued the suspect car for a short distance and it lost control at Springs Road at Avian Drive. The vehicle was traveling too fast for the turn and spun out. It ended up facing the patrol unit which had stopped in the roadway. The suspect accelerated and rammed the patrol car causing it to be disabled. The driver apparently tried to put the car in reverse and flee but it was in neutral instead. Maxwell tried to flee on foot but was taken into custody at that time.

The two officers were injured as well at the suspect. One officer went to a local hospital by ambulance and was later released. The suspect

was also released after examination and was booked for Assault with a Deadly Weapon on a Police officer and felony evading arrest with a willful or wanton disregard for the safety of persons or property

The California Highway Patrol assisted in the investigation.



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