

MEDIA RELEASE

Deputies Use Narcan to Save Person's Life After a K9 Track

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On Friday, June 10, 2022, at about 7:30 a.m., Washington County Sheriff's Office deputies responded to a hit-a-run call near SW 185th Avenue and SW Tualatin Valley Highway. Deputies learned a red sedan had rear-ended another vehicle, and after the two cars pulled into a nearby parking lot, the driver of the red sedan drove off. Just before the driver of the red sedan left, a witness believed they saw the driver swallow several pills.

Deputies located the unoccupied red sedan crashed into a ditch near SW 187th Avenue and SW Augusta Lane. Hillsboro Police K9 Rocket and his partner came to the scene to help locate the suspect. The canine team and deputies found the driver in the backyard of a home in the 19000 block SW Brooklawn Place. Deputies immediately recognized the driver was unconscious and unresponsive.

Deputies knew a witness had seen the driver take several pills right after the initial crash and suspected they could have contained fentanyl or another opiate. One of the deputies on scene, the School Resource Officer (SRO) for nearby Aloha Highschool, was with the K9 team and deputies searching for the driver.

The SRO had Naloxone (commonly known as Narcan) with him and immediately administered it to the driver. After a short time, the driver began to regain consciousness. Paramedics from Tualatin Valley Fire and Rescue and Metro West Ambulance Service come to the location to take over medical care for the driver.

The driver was transported to a local hospital to receive additional care. The driver was issued a citation in lieu of arrest for:

- Failure to perform duties of a driver when property is damaged
- Criminal mischief in the second degree
- Trespass in the second degree



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