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Arlington Police Department Responds to Vehicle Theft in Progress

(Arlington, WA) – Early this morning, at approximately 1:30 a.m., the Arlington Police Department (APD) responded to a vehicle theft in progress in the 7900 block of 200th St. NE involving three suspects. This location has had multiple attempted vehicle thefts in the last month.

One of the suspects fled in a vehicle, attempting to strike an Arlington Police officer. The police officer was able to run to safety. The juvenile suspect struck two other parked citizen vehicles before leaving the location in the vehicle. The Snohomish County Sheriff's Office (SCSO) located the vehicle and pursued it for assault in the 1st degree on the Arlington Police Officer. SCSO conducted a pursuit intervention technique during the pursuit and was able to get the vehicle to stop. The driver was placed into custody and determined to be a juvenile. The juvenile was processed for DUI, and SCSO holds probable cause for charges of possession of a stolen vehicle, felony eluding, and driving under the influence (DUI).

The other two suspects also fled in the vehicle that was being stolen and were able to get away on foot after leaving that stolen vehicle in drive, where it then rolled into a dumpster. The Snohomish County Sheriff's Office is processing the suspect for DUI at a medical facility and will be transporting the suspect to the Denny Juvenile Justice Center for booking if approved by the judge. In addition, APD will be sending their charges of assault in the 1st degree, theft of a motor vehicle, felony eluding, resisting arrest, and two hit-and-run charges.

APD would like to remind citizens to be aware of their surroundings and report any suspicious activity. For more information on this incident, please call 360-403-3400 and reference case #2023-00017156.

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