

# Onondaga County Sheriff's Office News

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### Sheriff



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## Driver Flees from Traffic Stop

**Town of Cicero, New York** – The Onondaga County Sheriff's Office reports that Sheriff's Deputies have charged a Syracuse man after fleeing from traffic stop.

On March 26, 2021, at approximately 10:02 P.M., while on patrol in the area of Henry Clay Blvd near the Clayton Manor Apartment Complex in the Town of Salina, a deputy observed a 2016 Kia operating in violation of the NYS Vehicle & Traffic Law. The deputy conducted a traffic stop and upon speaking with the driver, the driver sped off into the apartment complex. Deputies pursued the vehicle as it exited the apartment complex and travelled east on West Taft Road to Bear Road. The vehicle continued on Bear Road to northbound South Bay Road, where the driver lost control of the vehicle in the 6100 block. The vehicle left the roadway and struck a utility pole before becoming airborne and striking several parked cars and the Vintage Motors building.

The driver, identified as 33-year-old Curtis McLaurin of Syracuse, who was taken into custody and transported to Upstate University Hospital, where he is currently being treated for minor injuries. McLaurin was subsequently charged with criminal possession of marijuana in the 4<sup>th</sup> degree, criminal impersonation in the 2<sup>nd</sup> degree, unlawful fleeing from a police officer, reckless driving, imprudent speed, and aggravated unlicensed operation in the 1<sup>st</sup> degree. He was also issued numerous traffic tickets to include moving from lane unsafely.

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