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## **Deputies Investigate Fatal Crash Involving Stolen Vehicle**

**Town of Onondaga, New York-** The Onondaga County Sheriff's Office is currently investigating a fatal crash on East Seneca Turnpike in the Valley that involved a vehicle that was stolen from an occupied residential burglary.

On Tuesday, October 4th, at approximately 11:56 P.M., deputies responded to the 5000 block of Majors Drive in the Town of Onondaga for a residential burglary alarm activation. Upon arrival, deputies discovered an open door along with the resident inside. During the investigation, deputies determined that the suspect(s) had fled from the area. While conducting a neighborhood canvass of the area, deputies located a vehicle parked on the street that was recently reported stolen from the Skaneateles area. With the assistance from a Syracuse Police K9 and Air1, deputies began searching the area for the suspect(s). While searching the area, two vehicles were observed fleeing from the area at a high rate of speed. Deputies attempted to conduct a traffic stop on the vehicles as they fled eastbound on West Seneca Turnpike towards the Valley. Both operators failed to comply and continued to elude deputies.

As the vehicles approached South Salina Street, one vehicle continued eastbound onto East Seneca Turnpike while the other vehicle fled south on South Salina Street. As deputies approached the 300 block of East Seneca Turnpike, they observed that the vehicle had left the roadway, struck a tree, and rolled over several times. Deputies located the occupant, who had been ejected from the vehicle, and began initiating life saving measures. Despite their efforts, the occupant was pronounced deceased at the scene by paramedics.

The second vehicle eventually entered the Onondaga Nation where Air1 kept a visual on it with the utilization of the helicopters Nightsun light source. The vehicle came to a dead end of Maybee Road where two occupants fled on foot. One occupant was apprehended and identified as a male juvenile. The second occupant has not been located at this time. Both vehicles were determined to have been stolen in another occupied residential burglary in the 4500 block of Broad Road.

Detectives along with members of the Sheriff's Office Accident Investigations Team continued to investigate the crash and attempt to identify the deceased male operator.

East Seneca Turnpike between N Monticello Drive and East Brighten Avenue is expected to be closed for the next two hours. The investigation is ongoing at this time.

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