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Town of Grand Chute, Wis. Officer Involved Critical Incident

TOWN of GRAND CHUTE, Wis. – The Wisconsin Department of Justice (DOJ) Division of Criminal Investigation (DCI) is investigating an officer involved critical incident in the Town of Grand Chute, Wis. that occurred in the afternoon of Wednesday, January 3, 2024.

At approximately 2:08 p.m., Town of Grand Chute Police Department received a report of an individual committing retail theft at the Fleet Farm at 3035 W. Wisconsin Ave in the Town of Grand Chute, Wis. When officers arrived for this call, they approached the subject who fled in a vehicle, exited the parking lot, and fled at a high rate of speed. The subject then lost control of the vehicle approximately two blocks away, struck another vehicle and crashed into a tree. Lifesaving measures were attempted, but the subject died at the scene. The two occupants of the struck vehicle were taken to a local hospital for non-life-threatening injuries.

No law enforcement officers were injured during the incident.

Involved officer's vehicle had a squad camera during the incident.

The involved officer has been placed on administrative leave, per agency policy.

DCI is leading the investigation of the officer involved critical incident with assistance from Wisconsin State Patrol, a DCI Crime Response Specialist, and members of DCI's Digital Evidence Unit. All involved law enforcement are fully cooperating with DCI during this investigation.

DCI is continuing to review evidence and determine the facts of this incident and will turn over investigative reports to the Outagamie County District Attorney when the investigation concludes.

The investigation is ongoing and no further information is currently available.

Please direct media inquiries to Wisconsin DOJ.