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### **LCSO Investigating Fatal Traffic Crash**

On July 25, 2021, around 12:30 am, deputies with the Leon County Sheriff's Office conducted a traffic stop on a black Infinity passenger car at the intersection of West Tennessee Street and White Drive for a traffic violation. Deputies approached the vehicle and made contact with the driver and one passenger. After a short interaction, the vehicle fled from deputies at high rate of speed westbound on West Tennessee Street. While leaving the scene, the suspect vehicle ran over a deputy's foot and dragged him a short distance.

A few moments later, a traffic crash involving two vehicles was reported at the intersection of West Tennessee Street and Blountstown Highway. Responding deputies confirmed that one of the vehicles involved was indeed the one that fled from the traffic stop moments before. The other vehicle was a Chevrolet passenger car. The suspect vehicle also damaged several other vehicles at a nearby car dealership.

As a result of the crash, the driver of the Chevrolet was pronounced deceased on scene. The driver and passenger of the suspect vehicle were transported to a local hospital where the passenger succumbed to injuries sustained in the crash and the driver remains under medical care.

Traffic homicide investigators with the LCSO Traffic Unit responded and assumed the investigation.

This investigation remains open and active at this time. LCSO will update the investigation with further details as they become available.



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