

## **Media Release**

## **Driver Crashes Into North Plains Gas Station, Strikes Employee**

July 12, 2018 – A 23-year-old driver crashed into a North Plains storefront and struck an employee. Impairment and vehicle maintenance neglect are believed to be factors in the crash.

On Thursday, July 12, 2018, at 7:03 p.m., two North Plains Police Department officers were at an ARCO station, located at 9560 NW Glencoe Road, when they observed a vehicle turn into the parking lot at a high rate of speed.

The vehicle, a black 1974 Ford F-350 pickup, nearly struck an officer, crashed into the storefront, then struck an employee who was outside. North Plains officers detained the driver, a 23-year-old male, and a 20-year-old female passenger.



Based on the incident location, Washington County Sheriff's Office deputies responded to investigate. The driver told deputies he knew the brakes on his vehicle were faulty but admitted he had neglected to replace them.

Investigators believe impairment was likely a factor in this crash. Deputies will investigate further then send the case to the Washington County District Attorney's Office for review.

The employee who was struck, a 19-year-old male, suffered a broken ankle, concussion, and multiple lacerations. He was transported to a local hospital by Metro West Ambulance.

The inter-agency Crash Analysis Reconstruction Team (CART) responded to assist in the investigation. [read more]

Video and photos from the crash can be viewed <u>here</u>.



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