



# WASHINGTON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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## Media Release

### **Man Crashes and Injures Two After Being Reported As Driving Recklessly Four Times in an Hour**

June 21, 2017 – A man was arrested for reckless driving and two passengers were injured after he ran a red light and crashed into a minivan. The vehicle had been reported as driving recklessly four times within an hour.

On Wednesday, June 21, 2017, at 12:57 p.m., Washington County Sheriff's Office deputies responded to a rollover traffic crash at the intersection of NW West Union Road and NW Kaiser Road in the community of Bethany.

Based on witness statements, deputies learned that a 2000 Ford Focus, driven by 24-year-old Dakota Spacek, was driving eastbound on NW West Union Road at a high rate of speed when he failed to stop at a red light. A minivan driving southbound through a green light collided with the Ford Focus, causing it to rollover.



During the investigation, deputies learned that the Ford Focus had been called in as a reckless driver four times in the hour leading up to the crash. Local law enforcement agencies had been attempting to locate the vehicle when the crash occurred.

Two passengers in the Ford Focus sustained injuries and were transported to the hospital for evaluation. Mr. Spacek and the driver of the minivan were not injured.

Mr. Spacek was arrested and lodged at the Washington County Jail on one count of reckless driving and two counts of assault in the fourth degree.

Deputies are investigating the crash and the incidents that led up to it. The Washington County Crash Analysis Reconstruction Team (CART), an inter-agency team, assisted with the crash investigation, which briefly closed eastbound traffic.

