



# NILES POLICE DEPARTMENT

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CPD Case # - #JB318677

### **Motor Vehicle Accident Involving Niles Police Officer**

**Niles, IL** - On 6/23/2018 at approximately 12:13 a.m. the Chicago Police Department was in pursuit of a Ford Explorer for an incident in Chicago. The Explorer was traveling northwest bound on Milwaukee Avenue approaching Oakton Street. The Explorer attempted to make a right turn at Oakton Street to head east on Oakton Street when the vehicle lost control. That Explorer struck a marked Niles Police Squad car that was stopped at the stop light on Oakton Street. The force of the impact forced the squad car into another unmarked squad car that was also at the stop light in the curb lane. The impact also forced the second squad car to strike another vehicle that was directly behind the unmarked squad car.

The Niles Police Officer that was first struck by the Offender's vehicle was pinned inside the vehicle and was extricated from the vehicle by the Niles Fire Department. He was transported to Lutheran General Hospital and is listed in good condition. There were no other injuries reported in the accident involving the offenders, the other officer or the driver of other vehicle that was struck.

Two Offenders, both juveniles were taken into custody by the Chicago Police Department and charges are pending. All inquiries regarding the two subjects should be directed to the Chicago Police Department Office of Media Affairs at 312-745-6110.

The juvenile driver a 16 year old male from Chicago was issued traffic citations for Speeding – 70 mph in a 35 mph zone, Failure to Reduce Speed to Avoid an Accident, Improper Lane Usage, No Valid Insurance and Damage to Village Property for the vehicle crash that occurred in Niles.