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INFORMATION RELEASE

Vehicle pursuit ends with suspect vehicle into residence

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Just after 9 a.m. this morning Solano County Sheriff's Deputies were responding to a call of shots fired in the area of Warren Ave in the unincorporated area of Vallejo.

While on his way to the call, Deputy Tyler Pierce pulled behind a gold Cadillac that was stopped at a red light at the intersection of Robles drive and Glen Cove Parkway in Vallejo. As Pierce pulled behind the Cadillac the driver accelerated quickly and drove through the red light at a high rate of speed. Pierce immediately activated his emergency lights and siren and began pursuing the Cadillac as it ran several more red lights.

The pursuit continued on Glen Cove Parkway then onto Rollingwood Drive in Vallejo. As the Cadillac reached the intersection of Rollingwood and Pope Drive the driver lost control of the vehicle and drove over the sidewalk and through the front yard of a residence. The Cadillac came to a stop after it struck the house on the corner of Pope and Rollingwood. The residence that was struck by the Cadillac was limited to one corner. The driver got out of the vehicle and attempted to discard a loaded .45 cal. semi-automatic handgun as he ran away from the crashed vehicle.

Deputy Pierce pursued the driver on foot and a short distance from the accident scene took the suspect into custody. The suspect was uncooperative while being taken into custody and Pierce utilized his TAZER to subdue the suspect and handcuff him.

The driver was later identified as Andres Leonard Melgarejo 22 years old out of Vallejo. The firearm Melgarejo attempted to discard was later determined to be stolen out of Nevada. Melgarejo was transported to a local hospital where he was treated for minor injuries then booked into the Solano County Jail on the following list of charges: possession of cocaine, transportation of cocaine, possession of cocaine while armed with a loaded firearm, possession of a dangerous weapon, being a convicted felon in possession of a firearm, committing a felony while on felony probation, carrying a concealed weapon in a vehicle, hit and run with property damage, and felony evading police.

Melgarejo is currently being held at the Solano County jail with no bail status due to his felony probation violation. Melgarejo's first court appearance is scheduled for Friday August 23rd at 1:30 p.m. in the Fairfield Courthouse.

Deputies arriving at the original call on Warren Ave were unable to find any victims or evidence of a shooting.

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