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Summit Police Officer Involved in Motor Vehicle Accident

SUMMIT, N.J., April 21, 2020 – Summit Police Department Officer Anthony Pyzik is in a serious but stable condition at Morristown Medical Center following a motor vehicle accident at 12:16AM at the intersections of Morris Avenue and Lower Overlook Road in Summit.

Officer Pyzik, age 31, is a three year member of the Summit Police Department. He was monitoring a motor vehicle pursuit of a stolen motor vehicle from a neighboring jurisdiction, traveling east on Morris Avenue when the suspect vehicle traveling west on Morris Avenue crossed the center line and collided head-on with his police vehicle causing extensive damage to both vehicles.

According to Summit Police Captain Andrew Bartolotti, Officer Pyzik received lacerations to the head requiring 15 stitches, and will require surgery to repair femur, hip and wrist fractures.

Two suspects were apprehended at the scene. The driver of the vehicle Walleed Wheeler, a male age 18 of Newark, New Jersey, is charged with second degree eluding and second degree aggravated assault on a police officer, third degree receiving stolen property and third degree possession of heroin. The passenger, Dante Brown, a male age 20 of Newark, New Jersey, is charged with third degree receiving stolen property.

At the time of the incident it was unknown if additional suspects had fled the scene. Further investigation conducted by Summit Police and several other responding police agencies, including a New Jersey State Police helicopter, determined that no further suspects were at large.

Additional information on the Summit Police Department is available on the City of Summit [website](#).

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