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Deputies Apprehend 15-Year-Old After Carjacking

Milwaukee, WI – Yesterday, the Racine Police Department was investigating a carjacking where the offender dragged the owner with the car as he sped away. At about 1:20 p.m., Oak Creek police saw the vehicle, which was involved in a crash but drove away at recklessly high speeds, necessitating that they terminate the pursuit.

A Milwaukee County sheriff's deputy in an unmarked squad spotted the vehicle on the freeway at about 1:35 p.m. on northbound I-43 near Rosedale. He followed until additional squads were set up to back him up. The subject exited the freeway at McKinley Avenue, and a traffic stop was attempted, but the subject failed to stop and continued to elude officers.

The male subject evaded officers on Lincoln Memorial Drive, Downer Avenue, Locust Street, and crashed into a light pole at Lafayette and Summit. He then fled on foot and was apprehended by a pursuing deputy's K-9 partner. During the pursuit, the subject's vehicle sideswiped another car, but no injuries were reported.

Deputies detained a 15-year-old boy and will be charging him with Fleeing and Eluding, Operating Auto Without Owner's Consent, and citing him for Operating Without a Valid License, and Reckless Driving/Endangering Safety. He had two outstanding warrants – one for Vehicle Theft and another for Burglary. If convicted on the two felony charges, he faces up to seven years' incarceration.

The Milwaukee Police Department is writing the crash that occurred on city streets. Racine and Oak Creek police departments will investigate the offenses that occurred in their jurisdictions.

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