



## Milwaukee County Sheriff's Office **NEWS RELEASE**

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### Wrong-Way Driver Crashes Into Another Vehicle on I-43



Victim's vehicle

Wrong-way striking vehicle

Milwaukee, WI – Saturday, November 18, at about 10:35 p.m., sheriff's deputies responded to a call regarding a vehicle that had entered the southbound I-43 exit ramp at Silver Spring Drive, heading northbound on the ramp. The wrong-way driver crashed into a southbound vehicle near Daphne Road. Officers from Glendale and Whitefish Bay, along with North Shore Fire were on scene.

A Glendale police officer first on the scene had placed the driver of the wrong-way vehicle in handcuffs. A deputy placed the man, Robert D. Banks, age 48, of Milwaukee, under arrest.

In addition to striking nearly head-on with one vehicle, another vehicle sustained damage from debris from the crash. The victim in the head-on crash, a 31-year-old woman, was transported to the hospital for multiple injuries. Her passenger suffered minor injuries. No injuries were reported by the occupants of the second vehicle struck by debris.

Banks had been trying to elude a traffic stop for speeding initiated by Whitefish Bay police when he entered the freeway in the wrong direction. He was also transported to the hospital for treatment of his injuries and a blood draw.

The Sheriff's Office is seeking charges of 1<sup>st</sup> Degree Recklessly Endangering Safety, 1<sup>st</sup> Degree Reckless Injury, and issued citations for Driving Wrong Way on a Divided Highway and Operating Vehicle/Suspended Registration.

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