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## **PURSUIT OF STOLEN SUV THROUGH SEVERAL TOWNS RESULTS IN MULTIPLE COLLISIONS, ONE IN CUSTODY**

April 5, 2024 – Kankakee, IL – Shortly after 2 PM, agents from the Tri-County Auto Theft Task Force located an SUV that had been reported stolen out of University Park at a residence in Momence. Several agents were on foot approaching a residence when the stolen SUV drove towards the officers. The officers attempted to stop the vehicle and the driver of the vehicle subsequently collided with one of the agent’s vehicles and fled the area at a high rate of speed.

Once the incident was broadcasted over the police radio, several sheriff’s deputies located the vehicle and initiated a pursuit in an effort to stop the vehicle, which drove through several police jurisdictions at high rates of speed. The stolen SUV struck several vehicles occupied by innocent motorists during the recklessness.

Law Enforcement officials eventually apprehended the driver, 25-year-old, Brice A. Mixon, of Chicago, just outside of Peotone after he fled on foot upon the vehicle becoming disabled.

Mixon, who was wanted on outstanding felony arrest warrants, in addition to possessing a stolen motor vehicle, was in possession of a firearm. Mixon was eventually transported to the Jerome Combs Detention Center where he was booked on the following offenses: (1) Possession of a Stolen Motor Vehicle; (2) Unlawful Use of a Weapon; (3) Fleeing/Eluding Police; (4) Outstanding Warrants, as well as multiple traffic related offenses.

“I applaud and thank each of the officers and police agencies that were involved in this extremely dangerous and volatile situation,” said Sheriff Mike Downey.

“These types of pursuits have, unfortunately, become all too common. It’s also disheartening to see how many innocent civilians’ lives this individual was willing

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to jeopardize in his unsuccessful efforts to flee law enforcement. I certainly hope the criminal justice system is able to adequately serve the community by preventing this subject from re-committing and wreaking havoc on our streets for quite a while.”



Mixon remains jailed at the Jerome Combs Detention Center where he will await a detention hearing before a Kankakee County Judge to determine if his accused criminal acts warrant his continued incarceration.

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