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Police Investigate Serious Crash on Route 45

Gurnee – On August 16, 2023, at approximately 3:30 PM, Gurnee officers responded to Route 45, north of Cascade Way, in Gurnee, for a single-vehicle crash. Officers located a 2020 red Toyota Rav 4 that crashed into a tree with extensive damage.

Based on the initial investigation, the driver of the Toyota was traveling northbound on Route 45, north of Cascade Way. The Toyota veered off the roadway and hit a tree, causing the vehicle to roll over. The driver and sole occupant of the Toyota, a 73-year-old female from Grayslake, was trapped inside and unconscious. The Gurnee Fire Department extricated her from the vehicle and provided life-saving measures. She was transported to Advocate Condell Medical Center for further treatment and remains in serious condition.

Route 45 remained closed for approximately three hours while investigators with the Major Crash Assistance Team (MCAT) assisted with the crash investigation. This crash remains under investigation by the Gurnee Police Department.