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Minor Injuries After Crash Involving Sheriff's Police Squad Vehicle

On September 12, 2021, at approximately 2:15am, Winnebago County Sheriff Deputies responded to the intersection of 7th Street and 1st Avenue after a report of a traffic crash involving a squad vehicle. Upon arrival, Deputies observed that a marked Sheriff's Department Squad and tow truck were involved in incident. During the preliminary investigation, it was determined that the squad, carrying two deputies, was eastbound on 1st Avenue responding to a crime in progress call with lights and sirens on. The driver of the tow truck was northbound on 7th Street when the vehicles collided at the intersection. The truck driver was transported to a Rockford hospital with minor injuries. Both of the deputies were also transported to the hospital for minor injuries, and were treated and released.

The Illinois State Police are conducting the follow up investigation into the incident.