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Winnebago County Sheriff's Deputies Assist with Water Rescue

On March 22, 2021, at approximately 11:40am, Winnebago County Sheriff's Deputies responded to 300 Block of Northway Park Road in Machesney Park after receiving a report that a child had fallen in to the Rock River. Upon arrival, deputies learned that a 2 year old boy was in the water. Deputies went in to the water in an attempt to find the child and called for assistance from the Loves Park, North Park and Rockford Fire Departments. After several minutes, Divers were able to locate the boy. Paramedics immediately began life saving measures. The child was transported to a Rockford hospital with life threatening injuries.

The Winnebago County Sheriff's Department is conducting a follow up investigation. No further details can be released at this time.

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