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Case Update September 5, 2023

On August 28, 2023 at 8:10 pm Millburn Police received a report that a stolen vehicle was being tracked traveling in and around our jurisdiction border for approximately 30 minutes. The vehicle was a 2020 BMW X7 stolen out of Bridgewater NJ at 7:20 pm. Millburn Police Officer Matos and Seebohm patrolled the border of Millburn and Maplewood where it continued to be tracked. Officer Matos located vehicle and attempted to stop it. The vehicle eluded police and fled down Valley St. Officer Matos Pursued the stolen vehicle onto Parker Ave, where the stolen vehicle struck two vehicles at the intersection of Parker and Prospect, stolen vehicle then veered off roadway and struck the front steps and fence of a Prospect Street residence. The actor the fled-on foot. A witness stated he observed the actor hiding under a parked vehicle in front of a Summit Ave residence, where Millburn Officer's were able to locate the suspect and place him under arrest. The suspect Jason Cathcart, 20 years old of Kearny NJ was transported to Millburn Police HQ for Processing. He was charged with eluding, resisting arrest, receiving stolen property and multiple motor vehicle violations and was released on his own recognizance. The drivers of the two vehicle that were struck by stolen car both had minor injuries and refused further medical treatment.

These are accusations. All defendants are presumed innocent unless and until they enter a guilty plea or are found guilty in a court of law.