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POLICE INVESTIGATE HIT AND RUN CRASH WITH INJURIES

WHO: Victim: Brian Fitzsimons

DOB: 1-15-78

Seminole, Fla.

Suspects: 3 black males, early 20s

Stolen Vehicle: 1996 Ford T-Bird, 2-door, white

WHAT: Hit & Run w/Injuries and Grand Theft Auto

WHEN: August 5, 2009

1:31 a.m.

WHERE: 1389 S. Madison Ave.

Clearwater, Fla.

WHY: The vehicle was traveling northbound on S. Madison Avenue, when it veered off roadway struck a mailbox and then continued towards the residence where Fitzsimons was sitting on his front steps. The vehicle struck Fitzsimons and came to a stop after hitting the house. Fitzsimons was transported by ground to a local hospital with serious, but non-life threatening injuries.

The driver and two passengers fled from the scene on foot. Police set up a perimeter to search for the three suspects, but a K-9 track ended with negative results. During the course of the investigation, police determined the vehicle had been stolen.

There was significant damage done to the front door area of the residence. A building inspector determined it was uninhabitable. The residence was boarded up and secured.

