

# MEDIA RELEASE

## Driver of Stolen Vehicle Flees on Foot After Crash

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On Wednesday, August 10, 2022, at 12:06 p.m. Washington County Sheriff's Office deputies responded to a vehicle crash near the intersection of NW Mill Creek Drive and NW Murray Blvd. involving a 2009 Volkswagen Rabbit. Deputies learned the Volkswagen was stolen at gunpoint in SE Portland earlier in the day.

Deputies determined that the description of the person who stole the Volkswagen matched the person who ran from the crash on NW Mill Creek Drive. Deputies believed the person could still be armed with the gun that was used when the Volkswagen was stolen.

The Tactical Negotiations Team, Remotely Operated Vehicle Team, and Air Support Unit assisted in the search for the driver of the Volkswagen. During the search, a reverse 911 alert was utilized via [Everbridge](#) to caution community members in the area to shelter in place.

Deputies searched for several hours but were unable to locate the driver of the Volkswagen.

The description of the suspect is a male wearing a blue hooded sweatshirt, dark pants, and a black mask. If community members in the area have any information related to the crash on NW Mill Creek Drive, or the driver of the Volkswagen, they are asked to call non-emergency dispatch at (503) 629-0111.

The [Tactical Negotiations Team](#) (TNT) is an interagency, highly skilled, and well-equipped tactical unit that responds to extremely hazardous situations where conventional police tactics and equipment may be inadequate. Also known as SWAT (Special Weapons and Tactics), TNT is made up of Sheriff's Office deputies and police officers from Hillsboro Police Department, Beaverton Police Department, Tualatin Police Department, and medics from Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue.

The [Remotely Operated Vehicle Team](#) (ROVT) supports law enforcement operations throughout the county using robotics, unmanned aircraft (drones), and other cutting-edge technology. Team members often respond to incidents involving the Tactical Negotiations Team (TNT) or even regular patrol operations. ROVT is leading the way in drone usage for law enforcement agencies, proving the technology can be useful in many circumstances.

Deputies on the [Air Support Unit](#) are assigned as pilots or Tactical Flight Officers (TFOs), providing air support services for various public safety agencies. The unit primarily supports patrol and investigative teams with surveillance, aerial photography, incident response, suspect apprehension and command support.



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