

**ST PETERSBURG POLICE DEPARTMENT
TRAFFIC SECTION
MAJOR INCIDENT REPORT**

INCIDENT: Officer Involved Crash

REPORT# 2009-083604

LOCATION: 20th Avenue South & Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Street South

DATE: November 15, 2009

TIME: 19:37

INVESTIGATOR: Officer T.E. Nagle (Van 4)

SYNOPSIS:

A 2001 Ford Crown Victoria, unmarked police cruiser, being driven by Officer Gregory Shone, was traveling southbound in the curb lane of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Street South. Officer Shone was responding to assist another officer and was operating the cruiser in emergency mode with the emergency lights and siren activated.

A 2000 Nissan Maxima, FL tag EN36A, being driven by Lura Goldsmith (B/M, 4/8/1962, 1373 Ridge Road, Greenville, SC) was traveling eastbound on 20th Avenue South. Goldsmith approached the stop sign at the intersection of 20th Avenue South and Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Street South. Goldsmith attempted to make a left turn onto Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Street South and pulled into the path of the oncoming police vehicle. Officer Shone took evasive action to avoid the collision, but the front of Officer Shone's cruiser collided with the left front of the Nissan. Officer Shone's cruiser continued sliding in a southeast direction as the vehicle rotated counterclockwise. The right front tire impacted the east curb of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Street South as the vehicle slid off the roadway. The front of the Ford then struck a wooden fence on the property of 2026 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Street South before coming to rest. The Nissan rotated in a clockwise motion and came to rest on the west sidewalk of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Street South, facing east.

Officer Shone was transported to Bayfront Medical Center with minor injuries. Goldsmith and his passengers Grace Hoilett (B/F, 9/30/1970, 3800 Helena Street NE, St. Petersburg, FL) and Elijah Hoilett (B/M, 1/19/2004, 3800 Helena Street NE, St. Petersburg, FL) were also transported to Bayfront Medical Center with minor injuries.

CHARGES: Driving While License Suspended / Revoked – Lura Goldsmith
Driving Under the Influence – Lura Goldsmith

ALCOHOL / DRUG RELATED: Yes

NEXT OF KIN NOTIFIED?: Yes