

Didsbury and Olds RCMP assist Calgary Police Service in apprehending man

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Members of the Didsbury and Olds RCMP Detachments were able to assist the Calgary Police Service (CPS) today in apprehending a 26-year-old man who is facing several charges stemming from an incident which began in Calgary, found its way into Airdrie and ended in Didsbury.

At approximately 10:00 A.M. this morning, Didsbury and Olds RCMP were alerted to a stolen vehicle which allegedly was involved in collisions with two CPS police vehicles before it left Calgary and headed to Airdrie. The stolen vehicle reportedly was involved in a "gas and dash" at a local gas station while in Airdrie.

After it left Airdrie, the stolen vehicle entered the Didsbury RCMP Detachment's area, where police were able locate it utilizing the GPS information emitted from the stolen vehicle's own GPS system. The vehicle was traveling normally within the town and pulled into a gas station, however, a marked police car was close by, and the stolen vehicle departed the gas station without stopping.

Police were able to disable the vehicle as it drove slowly over a spike belt which they had deployed near a stop sign. The stolen vehicle proceeded out of Didsbury on two damaged tires and came to a stop in a field. The driver and lone occupant of the stolen vehicle fled on foot but was apprehended by police after a short foot chase. He was later turned over to CPS, who has assumed carriage of the file, and he is facing several criminal charges

Jesse James Hoffman (26), of Didsbury, was turned over to CPS as they have assumed carriage of the file. Hoffman is facing several criminal charges.

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