Cruiser Crash

Date/Time of Incident: May 14, 2015 @ 0018 hours
Address/Location: 62nd Avenue North and 4th Street North

St. Petersburg Police Officer Douglas Alvey was driving his marked police cruiser northbound upon 4th Street North approaching 62nd Avenue North. A Bat's Taxi was driving southbound on 4th Street North and entered the eastbound turn lane at 62nd Avenue North.

The taxi made a left (eastbound) turn in front of the cruiser causing a crash. Post impact, the cruiser left the roadway and struck a utility box, a cross walk signal, and the overhead traffic light pole. The air bags in both vehicles deployed.

The officer sustained non-life threatening injuries in the accident and was taken to Bayfront Health St. Petersburg via ambulance. He was treated and released from the hospital this morning.

The taxi driver was not injured in the crash. The taxi driver was cited for failing to yield while making a left turn. The scene has been released and the roadways are re-opened.