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Man Lying in Road Ran Over by Police Car

Injured Pedestrian: Mark F. Duffy W/M, 10/06/1947 of 434 4th Street North, St Petersburg

So far investigators have determined that for reasons not clear at this point Duffy was lying in the eastbound lane in the 800 block of Lake Maggiore Boulevard South, just east of the intersection of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Street.

Duffy, who is small in stature and was wearing all dark clothing at the time, had been reported missing from the Wirick ALF at 434 4th Street North on 5/18/15.

Officer Nicholas Lazzari, 46, (sworn officer for over 12 years) was driving his fully marked police vehicle northbound on Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Street South, turning right (eastbound) onto Lake Maggiore Boulevard. The cruiser drove over Duffy and dragged him a short distance.

Officer Lazzari stopped his vehicle, found Duffy at the rear of his cruiser and immediately called for Rescue. Duffy was transported to Bayfront Health St Petersburg and is currently in serious condition.

The investigation is continuing.