



Ukiah Police Department

Safety, Professionalism, Community Service

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Press Release: Traffic collision leads to DUI arrest UPD case # 17-2213

On August 5th at about 11:32 pm, UPD officers responded to the 300 block of West Mill Street, for a report of a traffic collision. Upon arrival officers located three damaged parked cars and grey 2015 Ram pickup that was resting on its side in the roadway. The driver of the Ram pickup was located in a nearby residence and did not appear to have been injured from the collision. The driver was identified as Cody Cuthbert age 29, with an address listed out of Willits. While investigating the traffic collision, officers suspected that Cuthbert was intoxicated and began a DUI investigation. Cuthbert was placed under arrest for DUI and his overturned pickup towed from the scene. The three parked cars sustained minor to major damage. Cuthbert was booked into county jail for DUI.

I would like to take this opportunity to provide some tips to report a suspected DUI driver:

- *Use a hands free type device to call 911 and tell the dispatcher you suspect a driver maybe impaired. (If you don't have a hands free device, safely pull over, park and then make the call).*
- *Be aware that you will be asked questions such as your location, the suspect vehicle location, direction of travel, vehicle description, license plate number, manner in which the vehicle is being driven, etc...Be patient with the dispatcher as they are often talking with you and dispatching officers to respond at the same time.*
- *Don't follow too close to the suspected impaired driver or attempt to stop the suspect vehicle yourself.*

As always, our mission at UPD is simple: to make Ukiah as safe as possible. If you would like to know more about crime in your neighborhood, you can sign up for telephone, cell phone and email notifications by clicking the Nixle button on our website: www.ukiahpolice.com.