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CASS COUNTY FATAL CRASH UPDATE

Update August 9:

Driver No. 1: Damion Proffit, 35, Fargo, fatality

What: Fatality Crash

Where: 1500 Block of Dakota Drive, Fargo

When: August 8, 2026, at 12:18 a.m. Central Time

Road Conditions: Dry

Weather Conditions: Clear

Crash Involvement: Single-vehicle

Type of Crash: Fixed Object

Agencies Involved: North Dakota State Patrol, Fargo Police Department, Fargo Fire Department, Sanford Ambulance

Vehicle No. 1: 2013 Chevrolet Silverado

Driver No. 1: Male, 35, Fargo, fatality

Restraints: Seat belt in use

NARRATIVE: On August 8, 2026, at approximately 12:18 a.m., the Fargo Police Department attempted to stop a known suspended driver for driving under suspension in the 700 block of Broadway North in Fargo. The driver fled from officers at a high rate of speed. Fargo Police discontinued the attempted traffic stop and did not pursue the vehicle.

Shortly after the vehicle fled, a Fargo Police officer located the vehicle, a 2013 Chevrolet Silverado, after it had crashed in the 1500 block of Dakota Drive. The Silverado failed to negotiate a curve, struck a tree, and continued between two apartment buildings. Debris from the Silverado struck an unoccupied Honda Element, causing extensive damage to the Honda. The driver of the Silverado died at the scene as a result of injuries sustained in the crash.

The crash remains under investigation by the North Dakota State Patrol.



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