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Drunk Man Crashes Into Ford Explorer Causing Three-Way Vehicular Accident; One Victim Airlifted for Medical Attention

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Scene of Saturday morning accident. By. REEMY-REEMZ PHOTOGRAPHY & VIDEOGRAPHY

ST. CROIX — A man who police say was intoxicated while driving on East End Road just east of the D.C. Canegata Ball Park, crashed into another vehicle at a high rate of speed in the wee hours of Saturday morning — ultimately leading to a three-way collision that left one victim badly injured.

According to V.I.P.D. Public Information Officer Toby Derima, on Sat. at around 1:39 a.m., the 911 Emergency Call Center received a call of an auto accident just east of the D. C. Canegata

Ballpark. Officers traveled to the area and found that three vehicles were involved in a collision.

According to Mr. Derima, an investigation revealed that a silver Range Rover was traveling eastward on the East End Road when it collided with a blue Ford Explorer that came out of the shopping area across from the ballpark, attempting to make a right turn to head west. The impact on the Ford Explorer cause the vehicle to overturn and collide with a white Lexus GS-350 in the area. All three vehicles received heavy damages from the incident.



Mugshot of Marlon R. Richardson (Provided by the V.I.P.D.)

The driver of the Range Rover, identified as 44-year-old Marlon R. Richardson of Tide Village, appeared to be intoxicated to officers on the scene, so the field sobriety tests were administered, which he failed. Richardson was subsequently placed under arrest and charged with driving under the influence of an intoxicating liquor. He was released after posting \$1,000 bail pending his advisement hearing.

The driver of the Ford Explorer was trapped in his vehicle as a result of the accident. He was extricated from the vehicle by St. Croix Recue and transported to the Juan F. Hospital and Medical Center via ambulance. He sustained major injuries during the accident and was airlifted early Saturday for further treatment.

The driver of the Lexus GS-350 sustained minor injuries.

The investigation into this vehicle accident continues, Mr. Derima said.