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**SUBJECT: Port St. Lucie woman steals car, tries to ram police cruiser, and involved in hit and run before finally arrested.**

On Thursday, October 27, 2016, Port St. Lucie Police arrested **Kelly Ann Callahan (DOB 1/15/75, 2040 SE Rainer Road, Port St. Lucie)** on the charges of grand theft auto, aggravated battery, aggravated assault of police officer, and issued a criminal citation for leaving the scene of an accident with injuries, after she stole a car, knocked down a victim trying to stop her, tried to ram a police car, then left the scene of an accident after hitting another car.

On Thursday, October 27, 2016 at around 10:00 pm, Port St. Lucie Police were responding to a disturbance located in the 200 block of SW Ridgecrest Drive. Officers received information that the Callahan was in a disturbance with a male and female victim in the 200 block of SW Ridgecrest Drive. Callahan got into and stole the female victim's car. The male victim tried to stop Callahan from leaving and was knocked to the ground by the fleeing car causing severe road rash to his arm. As Callahan fled the scene, traveling west on SW Darwin Boulevard, she drove into the oncoming lane as a police cruiser was responding to the scene. Callahan tried to ram the cruiser but missed as she continued on SW Darwin Boulevard.

Callahan continued driving west on SW Darwin Boulevard and turned south on to SW Belmont Circle. Callahan crashed her car into a 2014 Chevrolet Cruze that was stopped at a stop sign facing north on SW Belmont. The 20 year old driver of the Chevrolet complained of an arm injury during the crash. After the crash, Callahan fled the scene of the accident.



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After being run off the road, the officer attempted to locate the stolen car driven by Callahan and was flagged down by the driver of the Chevrolet. The victim of the hit and run directed the officer to where Callahan was last seen. A short time later additional police units located Callahan and the stolen car parked on the grass at the intersection of SW Bridgeport and SW Landale.

Callahan was arrested and taken to the St. Lucie County Jail for booking.