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Deputy Arrests D.U.I. Suspect Who Nearly Hit Pedestrian

Deputies have booked 25 year old Lewis Alvarado of Madera into the Fresno County Jail. He faces charges of Driving Under the Influence (D.U.I.), evading police and driving on a suspended license for D.U.I. He has since posted bond and been released from jail with a future court date scheduled.

Late in the afternoon on Wednesday, a Fresno County Sheriff's sergeant saw a blue 2003 Honda Accord travelling at approximately 100 mph. As the driver was on Ashlan Ave. in Fresno, he nearly struck a pedestrian who was using a crosswalk. The sergeant attempted to make a traffic stop, but the driver, later identified as Lewis Alvarado, refused to pull over. A pursuit ensued and Alvarado eventually pulled over near Van Ness and Shields Ave. The sergeant took Alvarado into custody.

Officers with the California Highway Patrol responded to conduct a D.U.I. evaluation. CHP determined Alvarado was over the legal limit for alcohol consumption.

If you have additional information about Lewis Alvarado, please report it by contacting the Fresno County Sheriff's Office at 559-600-3111. You may also contact Valley Crime Stoppers at 559-498-7867 or www.valleycrimestoppers.org You will remain anonymous and may be eligible for a cash reward. Reference case #26-8549.