Douglas County Sheriff's Office cruiser struck by drunk driver

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OMAHA, Neb. (WOWT) - The Douglas County Sheriff's Office says one of its cruisers was hit by a suspected intoxicated driver on St. Patrick's Day.

DCSO says the crash happened just before 2 a.m. Sunday near 83rd and L Streets. After hitting the cruiser, the driver then allegedly sped east down L Street.

Ralston Police spotted the vehicle near 72nd and Q Streets. The driver, Mateo Colon, 28, of Omaha, reportedly had a blood alcohol level of .224, nearly three times the legal limit. He was booked into Douglas County Corrections for driving under the influence, leaving the scene of an accident, and not having a driver's license.

Over the holiday weekend, DCSO deputies made three arrests, including the aforementioned driver, and issued 21 citations -- seven of them for DUI and five for speeding, among other infractions. The enforcement was made possible through a mini-grant from Project Extra Mile and the Douglas County DUI Task Force.