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Injury Collision

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On 09-17-09 at approximately 11:12 AM officers from the Redding Police Department responded to a traffic collision on Hilltop Dr. at Rockaway Dr.

Investigation of the collision revealed that Margaret Barefoot, 68 of Redding was riding a multi-speed road bike southbound in the designated bike lane along Hilltop Dr. A Margaret Redmond, 65 of Igo was driving a Ford Windstar van northbound on Hilltop Dr. Redmond did not see Barefoot and made a left turn onto Rockaway Dr. in front of the bicyclist.

Barefoot saw the bicyclist at the last moment and stopped in an effort to avoid the bicyclist. Unfortunately Redmond stopped in the designated bike lane directly in the path of the bicyclist. Barefoot was unable to stop her bicycle or avoid the van. The bicycle collided with the right front bumper/quarter panel of the van and barefoot was ejected onto the roadway. Barefoot was wearing a helmet and appropriate bicycle safety equipment at the time of the collision.

Barefoot suffered abrasions to her face and was transported to Mercy Medical center. Barefoot's initial injuries did not appear to be major or even life threatening. Upon her arrival at the hospital Barefoot's condition worsened with a suspected brain injury. Barefoot was admitted to Mercy ICU in serious condition. Alcohol or drugs do not appear to be a factor in this collision.

Officer Mike Woods
Traffic Specialist

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