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Police investigating multi-vehicle collision in Laurel *One driver transported to Shock Trauma with serious injuries*

Howard County police are investigating a three-vehicle collision that resulted in serious injury in Laurel.

At approximately 4:36 p.m., a 2006 Toyota Corolla was traveling southbound in the 9400 block of Washington Boulevard (Route 1) when, for an unknown reason, it left the right side of the roadway before returning and crossing into the northbound lanes where it struck a 2001 Honda Civic and a 2006 GMC Yukon.

The driver of the Toyota, Patricia Marie Johnston, 33, of Laurel, was transported to the University of Maryland Shock Trauma Center and is currently listed in critical condition.

The driver of the Honda, Santos Elias Perez, 35, of Columbia, was not injured. His passenger, Dora Jacinto Lazaro De Solis, 34, was transported to Prince George's Hospital Center with non-life-threatening injuries.

The driver of the GMC, Juan Carlos Equizabal, 45, of Jessup, was not injured.

Police are continuing to investigate; no further information is available at this time.

All northbound lanes and all but one southbound lane of Washington Boulevard are closed; traffic is being diverted around the scene.

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