Pair who used social media app to hook up for sex arrested after police chase

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Two people who met on a dating site and hooked up for sex were arrested following a police chase shortly after midnight Thursday, Calhoun County Sheriff Department deputies said.

A deputy saw a sedan and van speeding on Capital Avenue Northeast near Park Street in Pennfield Township at an estimated 70 miles per hour.

The deputy attempted to stop the vehicles, but the car and van increased their speed and the deputy ended the pursuit. When he saw them again at Pennfield High School, both vehicles fled again.

The sedan slid off the road, and the driver, a 20-year-old man from Battle Creek, was arrested.

The van traveled further but also slid off the road, and the driver, a woman, 21, from Allegan, was arrested, as well.

Deputies said the couple had connected on a social media dating site, met in person for the first time and had sex in the van.

The man then took money from the woman's purse and fled, and she began to chase him. Deputies said the woman was still partially clothed when she crashed her van.

She was arrested for fleeing and eluding police, and he was was arrested on charges of fleeing and eluding, robbery, possession of counterfeit bills and other traffic offenses.

Both were taken to the Calhoun County jail.