Driver Taken To Hospital After Wreck Friday in North Wilkesboro

The driver of a 2019 Toyota RAV4 was transported to Wilkes Medical Center after a wreck about 7:50 a.m. Friday at the intersection of Main and Fourth streets in North Wilkesboro.

The Toyota, driven by David Ford, 68, of North Wilkesboro was turning left onto Main Street from Fourth Street when it was hit in the side by a Chevrolet Express work van that was westbound on Main Street, said Officer J.A. McCoy of the North Wilkesboro Police Department.

McCoy said the impact flipped the Toyota completely over and left it on its left side. He said Ford was trapped in the wreckage, resulting in rescue equipment being used to cut the Toyota so he could be freed.

Wilkes Emergency Medical Services transported Ford to the hospital with injuries that weren't life threatening. McCoy said the Toyota was a total loss.

The van was driven by Cornelius Ferguson, 72, of North Wilkesboro. McCoy said Ferguson received minor injuries and the van had about \$4,000 to \$5,000 in damage.

McCoy charged Ford with failure to yield the right of way. He said eastbound lanes of Main Street were closed to traffic for 30-40 minutes.

The North Wilkesboro Fire Department and Wilkes Rescue Squad responded, in addition to Wilkes EMS and North Wilkesboro police.