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Car smashes into K.C. day care center, children hurt

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Three children and an 80-year-old driver were injured when SUV sent parked car into nap area.



(Photo: Heather Hollingsworth, AP)

A two-vehicle crash sent a parked car into a day care center in Kansas City, Mo., on Tuesday, sending three children and the 80-year-old driver to hospitals.

"We are treating three children with mild to moderate injuries, none that appear life threatening," Children's Mercy Hospital spokeswoman Jessica Salazar told USA TODAY.

Two of the injured children are 2-years-old and one is 5-years-old, a day care worker told WDAF-TV.

Approximately 40 children were inside the center when the crash occurred shortly before 1 p.m. CT (2 p.m. ET) at Christian Academy, *The Kansas City Star* reported. Early reports in the *Star* had said the children had been critically injured.

Two children were pinned under a Cadillac that was struck by a Range Rover SUV, a fire department spokesman said, KCTV-TV reported. The SUV hit the parked Cadillac, shoving it through the wall and into the area where children nap.

"I started helping like trying to kick down the doors to get all the kids out," Tony Bennett, the grandson of the Cadillac owner, told KSHB-TV. "It was devastating to hear all the kids crying and it made you want to do whatever you could do to make everything better."

The driver of the Range Rover was taken to a hospital but his condition was not available, the *Star* and other local media said.

The cause of the crash is being investigated.

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