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A Fairfax County police helicopter crash-landed yesterday afternoon near Yates Ford Road and Kincheloe Road in Clifton, Va., the Federal Aviation Administration reported.

Neither of its two occupants was injured, but damage to the \$50,000 Enstrom F-28A helicopter was extensive, a police spokesman said.

The spokesman said the officers on board, pilot Glen Spellis and observer Shirley Hamric, were searching the

Clifton area for a stolen auto about 3:30 p.m. when the craft suddenly lost power. The machine came to earth seconds later in a pine woods about 500 feet east of the 7500 block of Yates Ford Road.

Police and FAA spokesmen declined to provide additional details of the incident pending further investigation.

The helicopter was donated to the police earlier this year by a county resident.

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