

## POLICE DEPARTMENT

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## **HPD Investigates Armed Robbery**

Harrisonburg, Va. – At approximately 6:00 pm. this evening, officers with the Harrisonburg Police Department responded to an armed robbery call for service in the area of Linda Lane and E. Market St. The victim of the robbery was apparently approached by two individuals, with at least one armed with a firearm. One of the suspects is known to the victim, the other unknown. HPD officers checked the suspects last known location but were unable to locate them. There were no reported injuries.

Jerry Upton, 57, of Georgia (no local address) along with the other suspect, are wanted for multiple counts of armed robbery, conspiracy to commit armed robbery, and abduction. Upton is described as a black male, 6'0", 150 lbs., and may reportedly have a distinctive walk due to a previous leg injury. The other suspect is described as a black male.

This case appears to be an isolated incident. Detectives with HPD's Major Crimes Unit (MCU) are currently investigating and updates will be provided as the case progresses.

Anyone with information related to this case is encouraged to contact HPD's Major Crimes Unit at 540-437-2640. Those who wish to remain anonymous can contact Crime Solvers by calling 540-574-5050 or by texting "HPD" plus their tip to CRIMES (274637).

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