



*Hanover County Sheriff's Office*  
*Colonel V. Stuart Cook, Sheriff*



**News Release**

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**The Sheriff's Office, working with members of the Henrico Division of Police, apprehended three suspects involved in an armed robbery of a resident in a Mechanicsville neighborhood late last night.**

Last night at 10:29 p.m., Sheriff's Deputies responded to a report of an armed robbery at a residence in the 8400 block of Summer Walk Parkway, off of Atlee Road in Hanover County.

Upon their arrival, they found that the resident had been confronted by three black males in his yard, one armed with a rifle. The suspects demanded money and his wallet, also asking for his social security number and ATM pin number. During this confrontation, one of the suspects struck the victim several times on the head. The suspects fled the scene on foot with the victim's wallet.

Working with the victim and banking institutions, it was determined that a credit card stolen with the wallet had been used in several locations. While units in Hanover and Henrico were scouring the area, a citizen called in a complaint of a suspicious vehicle at a grocery store at the corner of Williamsburg Road and Laburnum Avenue. The vehicle fit the description of that possible involved in the robbery.

Units from the Henrico Division of Police, working with investigators from the Sheriff's Office Street Crimes Unit, located this vehicle on Williamsburg Road and apprehended three suspects. Inside the vehicle, investigators recovered the weapon believed to be used, the victim's wallet, and his credit cards.

Of the three suspects taken into custody, only one is an adult. Morrie Rajee Jameel Bashie AF El, an 18 year old male from Richmond, is charged with Robbery, Conspiracy to commit Robbery, and Use of a Firearm. The juveniles, also from Richmond, have also been charged with these offenses with one of the teens additionally charged with the physical assault on the victim.

Investigators are still looking for a fourth juvenile believed to be involved in this case. The juveniles were between 16 and 17 years old.

“The Sheriff’s Office would like to extend a warm hand of appreciation to the Henrico Division of Police and the observant citizen who observed the vehicle in Henrico,” said Colonel V. Stuart Cook. “I would also like to thank the members of the Hanover County Sheriff’s Office for their diligence, and the victim for his courage and keen observations under extreme stress.”

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Sheriff