



**The City of
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MEDIA RELEASE

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****Hopewell Police Respond to Armed Barricaded Incident ****

[Hopewell, VA] – On Friday, November 25, 2022 at approximately 4:17 AM, officers responded to the 300 block of South 14th Avenue in reference to a male subject with a firearm that barricaded himself inside of his residence with two children and an adult. It was later revealed that the male subject discharged his firearm striking the neighbors residence. The Special Weapons and Tactics Team responded to the scene along with the Crisis Negotiations Team in an attempt to obtain a peaceful resolution. Residents were evacuated as a precaution. After about two hours of negotiations the male subject was taken into custody. The male subject has been identified as Omar Worthan, 29 of Hopewell. Mr. Worthan was charged with Felony Possession of a Firearm by Convicted Felon and Misdemeanor Discharging a Firearm within City Limits. Mr. Worthan was transported to Riverside Regional Jail. There were no injuries sustained in this incident.

Members of the Hopewell Police Department Criminal Investigation Unit have initiated an investigation into this incident. The Hopewell Police Department is requesting that any person(s) who may have any information to provide, to contact the Hopewell Criminal Investigations Unit at (804) 541-2284. Persons with information on this crime and who wish to remain anonymous may contact the Hopewell Prince George Crime Solvers hotline in Hopewell at (804) 541-2202 or provide their tip using the P3tips website and/or the mobile app. If the tip provided results in an arrest, a reward of up to \$1000 may be given.

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