

# **Community Alert**

## **Possible Threat to the Community**

### **HPD Investigates Potential Off Campus Sexual Assault**

On Friday, October 4<sup>th</sup>, The Harrisonburg Police Department gave notice to the JMU Police Department of an off campus incident.

The Harrisonburg Police Department is currently investigating a potential sexual assault that occurred at a residence on Bradley Drive, shortly after midnight on Sunday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>. The incident appears to have occurred at a party which began Saturday night and went into the early morning hours of Sunday.

In the course of the investigation, the Harrisonburg Police Department obtained a picture of a subject who may have knowledge of this incident. The picture depicts a Caucasian male, in his twenties, roughly 5'10" tall, with gauge style earrings (AKA "plugs") in his ears. Suspect photo is provided on the last page of this document.

The Harrisonburg Police Department is asking the public for assistance in this investigation.

If any person has information related to the identity of the person pictured, or if any person has any knowledge of this incident, it is asked that they contact the Harrisonburg Police Department's Criminal Investigations Division at (540) 437-2640.

Anyone with additional information, who wishes to remain anonymous, is asked to call Crime Solvers at 540-574-5050. Tipsters may also text "HPD" plus the tip to CRIMES (274637). JMU and the City of Harrisonburg want to encourage everyone in the Community to exercise good crime prevention strategies all the time and to make these good daily habits. Close and lock all exterior doors and windows at night and anytime the area is left unattended whether it be for 5 minutes or 5 days to go to class, go to the store, visit a friend or leave town for the holiday. Be particularly cautious about leaving ground level doors and windows unsecured and even individual room and office doors in complexes where multiple occupants have access to common areas inside the perimeter of the residential, administrative and academic facilities. The poster version of this message suitable for posting on bulletin boards in your area will be available in PDF version at:

<http://www.jmu.edu/pubsafety/IncidentListings.shtml>.

