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## PRESS RELEASE

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**Immediate Release**  
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### OFF-DUTY DEPUTY CATCHES SUSPECT ATTEMPTING TO PICKPOCKET FEMALE SHOPPERS AT LOCAL STORE

On September 09, 2023 at 12:30PM, an off-duty deputy was shopping at a local department store in the 10700 block of Patriot Highway. While shopping, the deputy observed a suspicious male following older female shoppers throughout the store while standing extremely close to them. The off-duty deputy called for other deputies to respond and assist. The off-duty deputy was able to observe the suspect reach for a female's purse and attempt to open the purse while trying to go unnoticed. The off-duty deputy and responding deputy quickly intervened and took the suspect into custody. After a review of the store's security cameras, several other attempts were made with different female shoppers. Keith Andre Williams, fifty-years of age from Manassas Park, Virginia was arrested for felony attempted pickpocketing. Williams was incarcerated under no bond at the Rappahannock Regional Jail.

Sheriff Harris would like to remind shoppers to be cautious and vigilant of where they keep their purses and bags while shopping by keeping money, credit cards, and other valuables close to your person when possible. Never leave valuables unattended in your vehicle and shopping cart.

Remember, your phone call or online tip can make a difference.

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