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Arrest made in Montbrook Lane Homicide

Update 1:

(Henrico County, Va.) – Authorities have arrested a Richmond man in connection to the Montbrook Lane homicide.

During the investigation, **Rajahn Altariq Heath, 33, of Richmond**, was developed as a suspect. On Monday evening he was taken into custody by FBI Newark’s Violent Crimes Task Force and SWAT agents in Newark, NJ. Mr. Heath was arraigned this morning in Essex County (New Jersey) and is being held on an Unlawful Flight to Avoid Prosecution (UFAP) warrant, awaiting extradition to Henrico County.

Mr. Heath has been charged with the following:

- Murder, 2nd Degree
- Use of Firearm in Commission of a Felony x2
- Malicious Wounding
- Possession of Firearm by Convicted Felon

“We are grateful for the assistance of FBI Newark and FBI Richmond’s Central Virginia Violent Crimes Task Force in helping locate and apprehend Mr. Heath,” said **Henrico Police spokesperson Lt. Amy Kelley**. “The cooperation between local and state agencies is crucial to ensuring public safety.”

Anyone with any further information regarding this case is asked to contact Detective Lozak at (804) 501-5000 or Crime Stoppers at (804) 780-1000. You may also submit tips online at [P3Tips.com](https://www.p3tips.com); both methods are anonymous.

January 2 Release

(Henrico County, Va.) – Henrico Police is investigating a homicide that occurred overnight in the Fairfield District.

On Monday, January 1, 2024, at approximately 11:54 p.m., Henrico Police responded to the 2000 block of Montbrook Lane for a reported burglary. As officers were enroute to the location, information about a

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shooting at that address was reported. Once on scene, officers located two adult females inside an apartment with apparent gunshot wounds.

One adult female was pronounced deceased at the scene. She has been identified as **Shante M. Jones, 34, of Henrico**. The second victim was transported to an area hospital with life-threatening injuries where she remains in critical condition.

Currently, detectives are following up on leads in this investigation.

Anyone with information about this shooting is asked to contact Det. J. Lozak at (804) 501-5588. You can also submit tips via Crime Stoppers at (804) 780-1000 or by using P3tips.com; both methods are anonymous.

Watch Commander Release:

(Henrico County, Va.) – On January 1, shortly before midnight, Henrico officers were dispatched to the 2000 block of Montbrook Ln for a shooting. Once on scene, officers observed two adult female victims inside an apartment. One victim was pronounced deceased at the scene. The second victim was transported to an area hospital with life-threatening injuries. The Henrico County Criminal Investigative Section is on scene conducting the investigation. At this time, this appears to be an isolated incident and there is no perceived threat to the community. Detectives are actively working to determine the identity of the suspect(s). We ask that anyone who may have heard or seen anything suspicious prior to midnight contact Henrico County Police at (804) 501-5000, Crimestoppers at (804) 780-1000, or utilize the P3Tips application on their mobile device. Information submitted to Crimestoppers or the P3Tips application can be made anonymously.

The deceased victim's identity is being withheld pending notification to their next of kin. Henrico Police offers our sincerest condolences to the families of the victims during this difficult time.

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