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### **Missing Endangered Adult Safely Located**

#### UPDATE 3:

(Henrico County, VA) – Richmond Police safely located John Blanks Jr. on September 6, 2024, around the area of Byrd Park in the City of RIchmond. Blanks is currently receiving care in an area hospital for non-life-threatening medical issues.

Thank you to the community members and the many agencies who have been working together to find him.

#### UPDATE 2 (September 3, 2024):

(Henrico County, VA) - We are requesting that all citizens in the Chamberlayne Road corridor between Azalea Avenue and the Hanover/Henrico County Line please check their properties, to include outbuildings, under decks, or any other place a person could fit. We also request that they check home-based cameras for sightings since 8 a.m. yesterday (September 2).

Any sightings should be immediately reported to Henrico Police at (804) 501-5000 or 911.

**Mr. Blanks** was last seen wearing a burgundy hoodie, green cargo pants, and white tennis shoes (as reflected in the photograph). He has salt and pepper hair with a scruffy beard.

Original Release (September 2, 2024):

(Henrico County, VA) - Henrico Police is asking for assistance from the public in locating a Missing Endangered Person.

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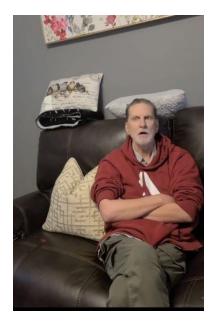
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On September 2, 2024, the Henrico County Department of Emergency Communications received a call at 10 a.m. for a missing adult by the name of **John L. Blanks, 59**, who left his residence in the 600 block of Elmfield Drive around 7:40 a.m.

Mr. Blanks is a diabetic and diagnosed with schizophrenia and bipolar disorder and in need of medication. Mr. Blanks was last seen wearing a burgundy hoody, green cargo pants and was wearing tennis shoes. He recently had a haircut but has salt and pepper hair and has a scruffy beard like he needs a shave.

If anyone has seen Mr. Blanks or knows his whereabouts, please call Henrico Police at (804) 501-5000 or 911.



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