



SALEM POLICE DEPARTMENT NEWS RELEASE

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SALEM POLICE ARREST HENRY COUNTY RESIDENT

On March 30, at approximately 1:59 p.m., a Salem Police Officer was in the process of serving an arrest warrant in the 1900 block of Braeburn Drive when the officer was assaulted by the individual named in the court document. The suspect, Jacchaeus J. Leath, of Fieldale was wanted in Henry County and Martinsville for an outstanding bail piece release order.

The suspect was able to escape from police custody after a struggle with the officer and he fled on foot into a nearby neighborhood in Roanoke City. After a coordinated search conducted by the City of Salem and Roanoke City Police Departments, the 22-year-old suspect was taken into custody without further incident.

Leath has been charged with Escape, Assault on a Law Enforcement Officer, Attempt to Disarm a Law Enforcement Officer and Resisting Arrest. There were no reported injuries to Leath or any of the officers involved. Leath is being held in the Roanoke County/Salem Jail without bond.

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