



SALEM POLICE DEPARTMENT NEWS RELEASE

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SALEM POLICE DEPARTMENT RELEASES DETAILS OF SINGLE CAR ACCIDENT

This afternoon at 2:19 p.m., the Salem Police Department responded to a single vehicle crash near Longwood Park on East Main Street. The driver of a black 1992 Toyota Corolla was traveling east on Main Street when the vehicle ran off the road, struck a telephone pole and overturned.

The driver of the Toyota, a 66-year-old male from Roanoke, was the only occupant of the vehicle, and he had to be extricated from the car by rescue crews. The man was transported to Carilion Roanoke Memorial Hospital in critical condition.

The driver was wearing his seatbelt at the time of the incident and it does not appear that speed was a factor in the crash. The accident forced the closure of East Main Street from Thompson Memorial Boulevard to Lynchburg Turnpike for approximately two hours. The incident is still under investigation.

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