



# COLONIAL HEIGHTS POLICE DEPARTMENT

## CRIME ANALYSIS UNIT

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# MEDIA RELEASE

## Arrest Made In Attempted Abduction

On July 14, 2025, at approximately 2:50 pm, the Colonial Heights Police Department responded to the 200 block of Archer Avenue for a reported attempted abduction.

Officers arrived and located a teenage victim who stated they were walking along Hillside Ln. when they were approached by a suspect in a vehicle that displayed a firearm and attempted to force them into the vehicle.

Colonial Heights Police identified the vehicle and were able to alert surrounding jurisdictions with the description. With the assistance of Dinwiddie County Sheriff's Office, the vehicle was located and stopped on I-85. The driver was identified as Neil Leon Jones, age 57 and a resident of Hopewell.

Jones has been charged with one count of misdemeanor Brandishing a Firearm, Use of a Firearm in Commission of a Felony, Possession of a Firearm by Convicted Felon, and Felony Attempted Abduction by Force. Jones was ordered held without bond and incarcerated pending his next court appearance.

If any member of the community has information regarding this incident, please contact Detective Sergeant J. M. Vaughan with the Colonial Heights Police Department at 804-524-8701 or via email at [vaughanj@colonialheightsva.gov](mailto:vaughanj@colonialheightsva.gov). If you have information, but would like to remain anonymous, please contact Chesterfield/Colonial Heights Crime Solvers at (804)748-0660 or submit a tip using the P3 mobile app.



**Neil Leon Jones, age 57, Resident of Hopewell**

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