



## WILLIAMSBURG POLICE DEPARTMENT

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### News Release

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### **Discharge of a Firearm Investigation**

**Williamsburg, VA** – On February 21, 2019 at approximately 6:40 p.m., Williamsburg officers responded to a shots fired call in the 400 block of Merrimac Trail. Officers were advised that a York-Poquoson Sheriff's deputy accidentally discharged their firearm during a traffic stop.

A York-Poquoson Sheriff's deputy initiated a traffic stop on a light grey-colored Honda sedan near the 500 block of Merrimac Trail for a traffic violation. The driver of the vehicle stopped in the 400 block of Merrimac Trail. The deputy approached the vehicle and the driver began to exit the vehicle. As the deputy instructed the driver to get back into their vehicle the deputy drew their weapon and a round was discharged. No one on scene was injured. The bullet from the deputy's weapon struck the driver's side door.

The Williamsburg Police Department is currently investigating the discharge of the firearm. If anyone witnessed the incident, please contact Investigator Mahoney at (757) 259-7206.

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