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## Henrico Police Encounter Second Rabies Case of 2024

(Henrico County, Va.) – On Thursday, March 28, 2024, Henrico Police responded to the 1500 block of Rustling Cedar Lane in the Varina district of Henrico County, for the report of a potential rabies exposure involving a companion outdoor cat that scratched the owner. The cat became ill acting out of character and was taken to a local veterinarian.

Due to the neurological issues, and the altercation with the owner, the cat was submitted to the State Lab and tested positive for rabies. There were no additional animal or human exposures reported. This is the second confirmed rabies case in Henrico County for 2024.

The Henrico Police Animal Protection Unit reminds everyone to keep their pets' rabies vaccinations current to ensure the safety of their pets and our community. Henrico County offers rabies vaccination clinics throughout the year. The [next rabies clinic](#) is scheduled for Saturday, May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2024, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., at the Henrico County Western Government Center, located on Parham Road. These vaccinations cost \$15.00 and are cash only. Additional rabies clinic dates can be found on the [Henrico County Animal Shelter's page](#).

Please report abnormal wildlife behavior and any possible rabies exposures to Henrico Police by calling (804) 501-5000.

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