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## **Henrico Death Investigation | New Market Road at Rockingham Street**

During the late evening hours of July 4, 2020, Hope Ann Aheimer was last seen around the 1700 block of Dock Street, where she was employed in Richmond City. On Sunday, July 5, 2020, just before 5:30 pm, Ms. Aheimer, 26, of Henrico County, was reported missing. Friends and family assisted by posting to social media to alert our community of the disappearance.

On Tuesday afternoon around 2:30 pm, Henrico 9-1-1 was notified of a suspicious situation, where a vehicle was observed in a cornfield. As officers responded and additional information was received, the vehicle's plate matched that of Ms. Aheimer's. Henrico police arrived on the scene and found a deceased female. While details were limited yesterday, Henrico police detectives must work closely with the Richmond Police Department to verify any victim's identity. In this incident, Ms. Aheimer was reported missing in Richmond and located in Henrico County. Communication among agencies, as well as the family of any victim, is essential in any investigation.

Today, The Henrico County Police Division has confirmed that Ms. Aheimer and her vehicle were both located yesterday near New Market Road and Rockingham Street. This incident remains a death investigation as Detectives gather critical tips from you – our community. Anyone who may have seen or heard anything is asked to contact Detective Ensor at 804-501-5000 or Crime Stoppers at 780-1000.

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