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Statement on passing of Harrisonburg Parks and Recreation employee

HARRISONBURG, Va. – It is with a heavy heart that the City of Harrisonburg acknowledges the death of a Department of Parks and Recreation employee due to a workplace accident today.

The employee passed away after being struck by a falling tree limb at Riven Rock Park. An employee from Parks and Recreation and an employee from Harrisonburg Public Utilities, who were at the park at the time of the incident, attempted to render aid and informed 9-1-1 immediately.

We ask that the community please respect the family's privacy at this time, and to keep the family in their thoughts and prayers.

"We are truly saddened by today's events, and we are grateful for the outpouring of support from our community members at this difficult moment for our colleague's loved ones and our City of Harrisonburg team - especially our Department of Parks and Recreation," Harrisonburg City Manager Eric D. Campbell said.

City officials will work to better understand the circumstances surrounding today's accident in the coming days. At this time, no additional information will be released.

The City of Harrisonburg is centrally located in the Shenandoah Valley of Virginia. It is home to almost 55,000 people. More information about the City of Harrisonburg is online at www.HarrisonburgVA.gov.



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