

At 0701 the Henderson County Sheriffs Office responded to a report of an assault that had occurred at 105 Cliffbrook Court in the Kenmure community in Flat Rock. Officers arrived at 0714 and found that the two residents of the home had been assaulted. The male resident, Paul Chanin, 83 years of age was transported to Mission Hospital/St James by air ambulance. The female resident, Carrol Chanin, 65 years of age, also required medical attention at Mission/St James but was not transported by helicopter.

At this time, Criminal Investigators and deputies are interviewing witnesses, processing the crime scene, and working diligently to develop a suspect. The North Carolina Highway Patrol Helicopter assisted overhead while Henderson County deputies assisted by Transylvania County Sheriffs deputies and K-9s searched the area for evidence and tracks leading away from the crime scene.

It is too early in the investigation to release any further information but we do not believe that this is a random crime. As soon as we are comfortable with all of the facts and a suspect name and description, we will release that information as well.