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Detectives Seek Additional Sexual Assault Victims #26-02286

Citrus Heights Police Detectives are seeking the public's assistance to identify possible additional victims following a sexual assault investigation.

On March 31, 2026, a female victim reported she had been sexually assaulted by a suspect who used an online platform to solicit money for sexual services. The suspect in the investigation was identified as 20-year-old Paul Cathey of Citrus Heights, CA. The victim and Paul Cathey agreed on terms, and the victim traveled to his residence where she was sexually assaulted. Due to the nature of the assault, detectives with the Citrus Heights Police Department believe there may be unreported victims of Cathey.

On March 31, 2026, Cathey was arrested and booked at the Sacramento County Jail and has a bail of $250,000. He remains in custody for PENAL CODE 261(a)(2): Rape by force, PENAL CODE 245(a)(4): Assault with a deadly weapon, PENAL CODE 236: False Imprisonment, PENAL CODE 422(a): Criminal Threats, PENAL CODE 417(a)(1): Exhibit deadly weapon(s) other than a firearm.

Anyone who was a victim of Paul Cathey, or with information related to this case is urged to contact the Citrus Heights Police Department Crime Tip Line at (916) 727-5524. Those wishing to remain anonymous may contact Crime Stoppers at (800) 222-7463.

