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Arrest Made at Local Library

Bedford, VA - On July 8, 2010, Investigators with the Bedford County Sheriff's Office, ICAC Task Force, arrested Roosevelt Occenac, 8 Bradley Lane, Roanoke, VA, a 45 year old male, from Haiti, for violation of 18.2-26/18.2-374.1:1 Code of Virginia, Attempting to Possess Child Pornography, at the Montvale Public Library.

At 1107 AM authorities at the library notified the sheriff's office of the suspicious activities of an individual using one of the library computers. Mr. Occenac was arrested at the library, without incident, after ICAC investigators and Bedford County Deputies arrived at the library and placed the individual under surveillance. Mr. Occenac was transported to the magistrate's office in Bedford and then remanded to the Blue Ridge Regional Jail facility in Bedford where he is being held without bond.

ICAC investigators also obtained a search warrant for Mr. Occenac's vehicle and a USB device that was in his possession at the time of his arrest.

He was observed by two girls, age 10 and 12, on Tuesday and they reported it to their mother who reported it to the staff of the library. The staff was not able to locate him on Tuesday, but saw him re-enter the library on Thursday and kept him under surveillance until our investigators arrived at the library.

The suspect was there both times during a "children's time" event.

This incident draws attention of the need to provide libraries with quick and easy training in this arena so that they can, when these events occur, preserve evidence and protect the innocent bystander until law enforcement arrives.

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