

You Never Know What a Call Will Involve #2 - Near Beaverton

On September 24, at 7:30 pm, several deputies respond to the report of a man pointing a long rifle at passing vehicles and pedestrians. Deputies contacted the male from a distance who appeared to have a rifle in his hands; however, they could not positively identify the weapon as he was waving it around. The man did not follow directions given by deputies and ran into a nearby house. Deputies learned that an autistic boy lived in the area; they contacted the parents and confirmed it was likely the suspect. This enabled deputies to call the suspect and he walked out of the house. They met the young man, who makes toy guns and acts out scenes from TV. He is afraid of police. His parents soon returned home to learn a caregiver had not shown up to take care of him. At his parents' request, the toy rifle was seized for destruction. [We received this e-mail](#) the next day.