



On August 26 at 8:30 p.m., officers Michael Denick and Erik Hibbs were dispatched to River Drive, where a male kayaker was located floating down the river. Police say the kayaker began to go under the water as he was hung up in some trees along the river's edge.

Police say officers Denick and Hibbs secured their duty belts and body armor and descended from the Route 130 bridge down to the river.

According to police, the officers reached the kayaker and then jumped into the creek to untangle him from where he was stuck in the tree branches.

The officers pulled the kayaker to shore, where he was then transported to Inspira Hospital to be evaluated, police say.

"If it were not for the actions of Patrolman Denick and Patrolman Hibbs, the victim would have drowned."