

**Manalapan Twp. Police Dept. Press Releases
May 11 – May 17, 2022**

*****Residents are reminded to remove any valuables from unoccupied vehicles and remember to lock your vehicle's doors.
DO NOT LEAVE KEY FOBs IN VEHICLES! *****

Incident 22MN10252 – Fraud

On Tuesday, May 17, 2022, at approximately 12:49 p.m., a 51-year-old Manalapan resident responded to Manalapan Township Police Headquarters and reported receiving a phone call alleging that a family member was involved in a motor vehicle crash, and the victim needed to deposit money into a bitcoin account. The victim was subsequently defrauded in the amount of \$2,900.00. Patrolman Anthony Cascella handled the report, which is pending further investigation.

Incident 22MN10169 – Theft of Property

On Monday, May 16, 2022, at approximately 12:03 p.m., an employee of Home Sense, located at 55 US Highway 9 South in Manalapan, reported that on Sunday, May 15, 2022, at approximately 6:14 p.m., a black male wearing all black clothes entered the business and stole \$899.98 worth of merchandise. Patrolman Hayden Hrymack handled the report, which is pending further investigation.

Incident 22MN10117 – Burglary

On Sunday, May 15, 2022, at approximately 9:03 p.m., a 38-year-old Manalapan resident reported that unknown actor(s) entered the victim's unlocked vehicle while it was parked in the driveway and retrieved the garage door opener to a Precedent Place residence. After making entry into the residence, the actor(s) fled the scene after being confronted by the home owner. No proceeds were reported stolen as a result of this incident. Patrolman Mantas Stanionis handled the report, which is pending further investigation.

Incident 22MN10113 – Criminal Mischief

On Sunday, May 15, 2022, at approximately 7:38 p.m., a 49-year-old Manalapan resident reported that an unknown actor(s) slashed three of the four tires on a vehicle sometime on May 14, 2022 at an Oakland Mills Road residence. The estimated damage caused as a result of this incident is approximately \$1,000.00. Patrolman Bart Mattaliano handled the report, which is pending further investigation.

Incident 22MN10084 – Theft of Property

On Sunday, May 15, 2022, at approximately 8:30 a.m., a 42-year-old Manalapan resident reported that sometime during the overnight hours an unknown actor(s) forced entry into a garage at a Gristmill Drive residence and stole a 2021 dirt bike, valued at \$6,500.00. Patrolman Charles Alaimo handled the report, which is pending further investigation.

Incident 22MN10079 – Warrant Arrest

On Sunday, May 15, 2022, at approximately 1:51 a.m., Patrolman James Guarino conducted a traffic stop on US Highway 9 Northbound for motor vehicle violations. The driver, identified as Gary Sydney, a 27-year-old, unmarried, male resident of Jersey City, who is employed as a warehouse associate, was found to have a warrant issued for his arrest by the Irvington Municipal Court in the amount of \$125.00. Mr. Sydney was placed under arrest and transported to Manalapan Township Police Headquarters where he was processed and released after posting bail. Patrolman James Guarino was the arresting officer.

Incident 22MN09956 – Fraud / Identity Theft

On Friday, May 13, 2022, at approximately 12:20 p.m., a 69-year-old Manalapan resident responded to Manalapan Township Police Headquarters and reported an unknown actor(s) utilized their personal information to open two credit cards. There was no monetary loss reported as a result of this incident. Patrolman Ross Dessel handled the report.

Incident 22MN09803 – Shoplifting

On Wednesday, May 11, 2022, at approximately 5:23 p.m., an employee of Best Buy, located at 55 US Highway 9 South in Manalapan, reported that an unknown male and female actors entered the business and removed \$582.00 worth of merchandise without rendering payment. Patrolman Christopher Schou handled the report.

Incident 22MN09801 – Terroristic Threats

On Wednesday, May 11, 2022, at approximately 4:48 p.m., a 21-year-old Manalapan resident reported that an unknown actor(s) sent harassing and threatening text messages, and demanded money. Patrolman Everett McNulty handled the report, which is pending further investigation.

Incident 22MN09750 – Fraud

On Wednesday, May 11, 2022, at approximately 7:38 a.m., a 46-year-old Manalapan resident reported being defrauded in the amount of \$12,600.00 via a Bit Coin scam. Patrolman Kyle Earley handled the report, which is pending further investigation.