

**Manalapan Twp. Police Dept. Press Releases**  
**January 1, 2025 – January 7, 2025**  
**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! \*\*\***

**25MN00658 – Warrant Arrest**

On Tuesday, January 7, 2025, at approximately 10:23 a.m., Tammy Cohen, a 47-year-old, married, unemployed, female resident of Manalapan, was found to have a warrant issued for her arrest by the Manalapan Township Municipal Court in the amount of \$1,000.00. Mrs. Cohen was placed under arrest and subsequently turned over to the Monmouth County Correctional Institution. Patrolman Frank Maisano was the arresting officer.

**25MN00537 – Fraud**

On Monday, January 6, 2025, at approximately 3:50 p.m., a 51-year-old Manalapan resident reported that an unknown actor opened a cellular phone account in the victim's name. No monetary loss was reported as a result of this incident. Patrolman Anthony Cascella took the report.

**25MN00480 – Warrant Arrest**

On Sunday, January 5, 2025, at approximately 11:50 p.m., Patrolman Joseph Santomaro conducted a motor vehicle stop on Route 33 in Manalapan. The driver of the vehicle, identified as Gerardo R. Maldonado, a 33-year-old, unmarried, male resident of Lawrence Township, who is employed as a photo booth attendant, was found to have warrants issued for his arrest by the Lawrence Township Municipal Court in the amount of \$750.00 and the East Windsor Municipal Court in the amount of \$500.00. Mr. Maldonado was placed under arrest and transported to Manalapan Township Police Headquarters where he was processed and subsequently released on his own recognizance.

**25MN00472 – Warrant Arrest**

On Sunday, January 5, 2025, at approximately 8:46 p.m., Patrolman Mantas Stanionis conducted a motor vehicle stop on Route 9 for a motor vehicle violation. The driver, identified as Casey E. Waake, a 35-year-old, unmarried, male resident of Jackson, who is employed as a sewer employee, was found to have a warrant issued for his arrest by the Jackson Township Municipal Court. Mr. Waake was placed under arrest and transported to Manalapan Township Police Department where he was processed and turned over to the Jackson Township Police Department.

### **25MN00443 – Fraud / Identity Theft**

On Sunday, January 5, 2024, at approximately 12:57 p.m., a 63-year-old Toms River resident responded to Manalapan Township Police Headquarters and reported that an unknown actor fraudulently purchased an I-Pad and opened several accounts using the victim's personal information at the Verizon Store, located at 55 Route 9 in Manalapan. Patrolman Michael DeCristofaro took the report, which is pending further investigation.

### **25MN00435 – Criminal Mischief**

On Sunday, January 5, 2024, at approximately 10:46 a.m., a 57-year-old Staten Island, NY resident reported that unknown actor(s) damaged a vehicle while it was parked in the parking lot of Best Buy, located at 15 Route 9 in Manalapan. The estimated cost of the damage to the vehicle was reported to be approximately \$20,000.00. Patrolman Jeff Emslie took the report, which is pending further investigation.

### **25MN00358 – Shoplifting**

On Saturday, January 4, 2025, at approximately 11:40 a.m., employees of the Target department store, located at 55 Route 9 in Manalapan, reported that Kevin Vazquez, a 27-year-old, unemployed, male resident of Jamesburg, had shoplifted items valued at \$235.96. Mr. Vazquez was placed under arrest and transported to Manalapan Township Police Headquarters where he was processed and subsequently released on his own recognizance. Patrol Officer Hope Barina was the arresting officer.

### **25MN00162 – Unlawful Possession of a Weapon / Aggravated Assault on a Law Enforcement Officer**

On Thursday, January 2, 2025, at approximately 6:11 p.m., Patrolman Christopher Capuzzo conducted a motor vehicle stop on Craig Road for motor vehicle violations. The driver, identified as Christopher M. Young, a 34-year-old, divorced, male resident of Freehold, who is employed as an electrician, was placed under arrest for unlawful possession of a weapon, resisting arrest, obstruction, and aggravated assault on a law enforcement officer. Mr. Young was transported to Manalapan Township Police Headquarters where he was processed and subsequently turned over to the Monmouth County Correctional Institution pending a future court appearance. Patrolman Christopher Capuzzo was the arresting officer.

### **25MN00131 – Theft**

On Thursday, January 2, 2025, at approximately 8:31 a.m., a 46-year-old Lavallette resident responded to Manalapan Township Police Headquarters and reported that an unknown actor(s) stole construction material, valued at approximately \$24,000.00, from a construction site on Mustang Drive. Patrolman Christopher Schou handled the report.

### **25MN00062 – Shoplifting**

On Wednesday, January 1, 2025, at approximately 5:42 p.m., employees of the Target department store, located at 55 Route 9 in Manalapan, reported that an unknown actor(s) shoplifted merchandise valued at approximately \$119.99. Patrolman Vincent Rubino handled the report, which is pending further investigation.

### **25MN00015 – Simple Assault**

On Wednesday, January 1, 2025, at approximately 2:52 a.m., a 38-year-old Manalapan resident reported being assaulted at a Franklin Lane residence resulting in minor injuries. No complaints were signed as a result of this incident. Patrolman Thomas Butz took the report.