# Manalapan Twp. Police Dept. Press Releases January 29, 2025 – February 4, 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! \*\*\*

# 25MN04218 - Criminal Attempt (Fraud)

On Tuesday, February 4, 2025, at approximately 12:17 p.m., a 92-year-old Manalapan resident reported that an unknown actor attempted to defraud the victim in the amount of \$9,000.00 via telephone. Patrolman Jeff Emslie took the report.

# 25MN04220 - Fraud

On Tuesday, February 4, 2025, at approximately 12:51 p.m., a 55-year-old Marlboro resident responded to Manalapan Township Police Headquarters and reported being defrauded in the amount of \$31,000.00 via the internet. Patrolman William Dutton took the initial report, which is pending investigation.

# 25MN04149 – Distribution of A Controlled Dangerous Substance/ Possession of Prohibited Devices

On Monday, February 3, 2025, at approximately 8:43 p.m., Patrolman Christopher Capuzzo conducted a motor vehicle stop on Route 9 in Manalapan for motor vehicle violations. The driver of the vehicle, identified as Jesus A. Martir, a 20-year-old, unmarried, unemployed, male resident of Sewaren and a passenger in the vehicle, identified as Antonio R. Pina, 19-year-old, unmarried, unemployed, male resident of Sewaren, were subsequently placed under arrest for distribution of marijuana and possession of prohibited devices. Both Mr. Martir and Mr. Pina were transported to Manalapan Township Police Headquarters where they were processed and released after being issued summonses. Patrolman Christopher Capuzzo was the arresting officer.

# 25MN04114 - Warrant Arrest

On Monday, February 3, 2025, at approximately 5:04 p.m., Patrolman Christopher Capuzzo conducted a motor vehicle stop on Route 9 in Manalapan for motor vehicle violations. A passenger in the vehicle identified as Rony M. Sanchez-Hernandez, a 19-year-old, unmarried, male resident of Lakewood, who is employed as a landscaper was found to have a warrant issued for his arrest by the Lakewood Municipal Court in the amount of \$1,500.00. Mr. Sanchez-Hernandez was placed under arrest and transported to Manalapan Township Police Headquarters where he was processed and turned over to the Lakewood Police Department. Patrolman Christopher Capuzzo was the arresting officer.

# 25MN04109 - Warrant Arrest

On Monday, February 3, 2025 at approximately 4:25 p.m., Patrolman Edward Burns conducted a motor vehicle stop on Route 9 in Manalapan for a motor vehicle violation. The driver of the vehicle, identified as Anthony Colantoni, a 33-year-old, unmarried, male resident of South River, NJ, who is self-employed, was found to have a warrant issued for his arrest by the Manalapan Township Municipal Court in the amount of \$1,000.00. Mr. Colantoni was placed under arrest and transported to Manalapan Township Police Headquarters where he was processed and subsequently released after posting bail. Patrolman Edward Burns was the arresting officer.

# 25MN04094 - Harassment

On Monday, February 3, 2025, at approximately 2:46 p.m., a 39-year-old Manalapan resident responded to Manalapan Township Police Headquarters and reported being harassed by an unknown actor. No complaints were signed as a result of this incident. Patrolman Jake Mann took the report.

## 25MN03970 - Warrant Arrest

On Sunday, February 2, 2025, at approximately 4:24 p.m., Patrolman Matthew Parke conducted a motor vehicle stop in the area of Route 33 and Sweetmans Lane. The driver, identified as Debra Foster, a 30-year-old, unmarried, female resident of Linden, who is employed as a Medical Case Manager, was found to have a warrant issued for her arrest by the Woodbridge Township Municipal Court in the amount of \$1,500.00. Ms. Foster was placed under arrest and transported to Manalapan Township Police Headquarters where she was processed and subsequently released after posting bail. Patrolman Matthew Parke was the arresting officer.

# 25MN03966 - Shoplifting

On Sunday, February 2, 2025, at approximately 4:03 p.m., employees of the Wegmans Supermarket, located at 55 Route 9 in Manalapan, reported that at approximately 3:45 p.m., two unknown actors entered the business and removed merchandise valued at approximately \$997.83. Matthew Jastrzembski handled the report, which is pending further investigation.

#### 25MN03861 - Warrant Arrest

On Saturday, February 1, 2025, at approximately 4:58 p.m., Patrolman Michael DeCristofaro conducted a motor vehicle stop on Route 9 in Manalapan for motor vehicle violations. The driver of the vehicle, identified as Thomas Esteban, a 25-year-old, unmarried, male resident of Freehold Borough, who is employed as a solar panel representative, was found to have a warrant issued for his arrest by the Freehold Borough Municipal Court in the amount of \$1,000.00. Mr. Esteban was placed under arrest and transported to Manalapan Township Police Headquarters where he was processed and subsequently turned over to the Monmouth County Correctional Institution in lieu of bail. Patrolman Michael DeCristofaro was the arresting officer.

# 25MN03858 - Warrant Arrest

On Saturday, February 1, 2025, at approximately 5:03 p.m., Patrolman Abdoulaye Diagne conducted a motor vehicle stop on Route 33 in Manalapan. The driver of the vehicle, identified as George Tsiolas, a 66-year-old, divorced, self-employed, male resident of Manalapan, was found to have a warrant issued for his arrest by the Freehold Township Municipal Court in the amount of \$1,000.00. Mr. Tsiolas was placed under arrest and transported to Manalapan Township Municipal Court where he was processed and released after posting bail. Patrolman Abdoulaye Diagne was the arresting officer.

# 25MN03843 - Theft

On Saturday, February 1, 2025, at approximately 2:30 p.m., a 30-year-old Bound Brook resident reported that a purse was stolen from the bathroom of the Main Brook Tavern, located at 90 Wilson Avenue in Manalapan. The purse was subsequently located, but was missing items valued at approximately \$28.00. Patrolman Brandon Yeung handled the report, which is pending further investigation.

# 25MN03730 - Fraud

On Friday, January 31, 2025, at approximately 1:10 p.m., a 54-year-old Oakhurst resident responded to Manalapan Township Police Headquarters and reported that unknown actor(s) fraudulently altered a check that was mailed by the victim on January 27, 2025. Patrolman Brandon Yeung handled the report, which is pending further investigation.

#### 25MN03729 - Fraud

On Friday, January 30, 2024, at approximately 1:10 p.m., a 68-year-old Manalapan resident responded to Manalapan Township Police Headquarters and reported being defrauded in the amount of \$1,920.00 via a Cash App account. Patrolman Jake Mann handled the report, which is pending further investigation.

## 25MN03554 - Theft

On Thursday, January 30, 2025, at approximately 8:56 a.m. employees of the Valero gas station, located at 391 Route 9 in Manalapan, reported that an unknown actor(s) stole two orange traffic cones, valued at approximately \$100.00, from the business. Patrolman Jeff Emslie took the report.

#### 25MN03510 - Harassment

On Wednesday, January 29, 2025, at approximately 6:56 p.m., 54-year-old Toms River resident responded to Manalapan Township Police Headquarters and reported being harassed by their employer. Patrolman Abdoulaye Diagne took the report.

# 25MN03512 - Warrant Arrest

On Wednesday, January 29, 2025, at approximately 7:37 p.m., Patrolman James Guarino and Patrolman Matthew Jastrzembski responded to the Sayreville Police Department and took custody of Julian Williams, a 40-year-old, unmarried, male resident of Aberdeen, New Jersey, who is employed as a Behavioral Therapist, regarding a warrant that was issued for his arrest by the Manalapan Township Municipal Court. Mr. Williams was subsequently transported to the Monmouth County Correctional Institution in lieu of bail.

# 25MN03523 - Warrant Arrest

On Wednesday, January 29, 2025, at approximately 9:12 p.m., Patrolman Kyle Williams and Patrolman Donovan Turner responded to the Middlesex County Jail and took custody of Steven Buret, a 28-year-old, married, male resident of Perth Amboy, New Jersey, who is employed as a hair stylist regarding a warrant that was issued for his arrest by the Manalapan Township Municipal Court in the amount of \$1,000.00. Mr. Buret was subsequently transported to the Monmouth County Correctional Institution in lieu of bail.