

Daily Report 04/25/14

In the last 24 hours Annapolis Police officers responded to 114 calls for service and arrested 20 people.

Good News – On 04/23 Sheldon Tubaya, 59, of Annapolis was arrested for a theft from vehicle that occurred on 04/20 in the parking lot of the O’Callaghan Hotel. On that date a wedding ring and money were stolen from an unlocked vehicle. Tubaya is charged with rogue and vagabond and theft and is being held on \$4,000 bond at the Jennifer Road Detention Center. Tubaya was also arrested on 04/10 for a theft from vehicle that occurred on 03/17 behind 23 West Street. On that date a gym bag was stolen from an unlocked vehicle. Tubaya is charged with rogue and vagabond and theft and was released the same day after posting \$2,600 bond. Tubaya has numerous prior arrests for theft and charges for other reported thefts are expected. If anyone was a victim of a theft from vehicle in the same area please call 410-268-4141 to make a police report. You can also contact Det. Michael Prout at 410-268-9000 ext. 7209 or msprout@annapolis.gov for more information.



Sheldon Tubaya

Theft from Vehicle – 201400002024 – Unit block of West St - 04/22 at 11pm to 04/23 at 1am: When officers arrested Sheldon Tubaya on 04/23 he was carrying items that appeared to have been stolen. The owner of the items was contacted and reported that a black Under Armour backpack was stolen from his unlocked vehicle when it was parked in a lot behind the first block of West St.

Bicycle Theft – 201400002052 – 100 block of Hillsmere Dr - 04/24 from 7:30pm to 10pm: A silver Cannondale mountain bike with black lettering and a black and red Schwinn mountain bike were stolen from the rear bed of a pick up truck. Both bicycles had lights attached to the front and rear and the Cannondale had a digital device attached to the front handlebars and an air pump stored on the frame.

Theft from Vehicle – 201400002053 – Unit block of West St - 04/24 at 10:30pm: A woman returned to her parked vehicle and discovered someone inside it. The suspect quickly exited the vehicle and ran from the area. The only description available is that the suspect was wearing a dark jacket and carrying a black backpack. A small silver Tom Tom GPS unit was stolen from the Jeep which had an accessible canvas top.

This theft from vehicle occurred after Sheldon Tubaya was arrested and he is currently being held on bond. Tubaya is not the only person targeting unlocked and easily accessible vehicles in the downtown area. Please lock your car and remove valuables. Report suspicious activity by calling 410-268-4141 or 9-1-1 in an emergency.

Bicycle Theft Prevention

With the weather getting warmer, bicycle theft is on the rise. We had six reported bicycle thefts in April, so far. To avoid becoming a victim of bike theft, every cyclist should have a sturdy bicycle lock as standard equipment, and choose lit, well-frequented places to leave your bike. Protect it every time and everywhere. Not only lock your bicycle, but lock it to something at least as secure as the lock itself.

National Take-Back Initiative

The Annapolis Police Department will be participating in the National Take-Back Initiative on Saturday, April 26, 2014 between 10am and 2pm. You can turn in your unwanted prescription and non-prescription medications to be destroyed. It will be held in the lobby of the Annapolis Police Department at 199 Taylor Avenue. Unused medications should be disposed of responsibly because of the potential for their abuse. For more information go to http://www.deadiversion.usdoj.gov/drug_disposal/takeback/

April is National Distracted Driving Awareness Month

The Annapolis Police Department Traffic Unit will be conducting special enforcement details throughout the month looking for drivers violating the Maryland handheld device laws. Remember that when a vehicle is in motion the driver may not use their hands to use a handheld telephone, other than to initiate or terminate a wireless phone call or to turn the handset on or off. Using a hands-free device, while driving, is not a violation of the law, but both ears may not be covered by ear plugs, headset, or earphones. Drivers under the age of 18 are not allowed to use handheld cell phones regardless of whether a hands-free device is used. While there are other ways drivers can be distracted while driving, cell phone use combines visual, cognitive, and manual distractions. The Maryland Highway Safety Office reported that for the five years ending in 2011 an average of 47% of traffic fatalities and 65% of traffic injuries in Maryland were from accidents caused by distracted driving.

If Your Tip to the Hotline Leads to an Arrest and Indictment of the Individuals that Committed the Above Crimes, You may be Eligible for a Cash Reward of Up to \$2,000!!!

If you have information on the above crime contact:

Metro Crime Stoppers Hotline Toll Free 1-866-7LOCKUP.

You can also provide information confidentially online through

<http://www.metrocrimestoppers.net/> or

by texting “MCS plus your message” to CRIMES (274637)

Calls are NOT Recorded AND Callers Remain Anonymous