

**Manalapan Twp. Police Dept. Press Releases**

**March 15 – March 21, 2023**

**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! \*\*\***

**23MN09720 – Fraud**

On Tuesday, March 21, 2023, at approximately 11:41 a.m. a 48-year-old Freehold Township resident responded to Manalapan Township Police Headquarters and reported that an unauthorized purchase was made online with their American Express Business Account. No monetary loss was reported as a result of this incident. Patrolman Edward Burns handled the report, which is pending further investigation.

**23MN09428 – Driving While Intoxicated**

On Sunday, March 19, 2023, at approximately 11:54 a.m., Brian Popadiuk, a 45-year-old, unmarried, unemployed, male resident of Marlboro, was found to be Driving While Intoxicated at 336 Route 9 in Manalapan. Mr. Popadiuk was placed under arrest and transported to Manalapan Township Police Headquarters where he was processed and released after being issued summonses. Patrolman Edward Burns was the arresting officer.

**23MN09329 – Fraud**

On Saturday, March 18, 2023, at approximately 1:19 p.m. a 54-year-old Manalapan resident responded to Manalapan Township Police Headquarters and reported that an unknown actor(s) made approximately \$150.00 in fraudulent transactions with the victim's debit card. Patrolman Christopher Schou handled the report, which is pending further investigation.

**23MN09082 – Fraud / Theft by Deception**

On Thursday, March 16, 2023, at approximately 7:09 p.m. a 43-year-old Manalapan resident responded to Manalapan Township Police Headquarters and reported that an unknown actor(s) fraudulently transferred \$600.00 from an online account. Patrolman Christopher Schou handled the report, which is pending further investigation.

**23MN08881 – Fraud**

On Wednesday, March 15, 2023, at approximately 3:32 p.m. a 64-year-old Manalapan resident responded to Manalapan Township Police Headquarters and reported that an unknown actor(s) made approximately \$1,200.00 in fraudulent transactions using the victim's debit card. Patrolman Christopher Makwinski handled the report, which is pending further investigation.

**23MN08869 – Theft of a Motor Vehicle**

On Wednesday, March 15, 2023, at approximately 1:31 p.m. a 36-year-old Hightstown resident responded to Manalapan Township Police Headquarters and report that on March 14, 2023, an unknown actor(s) had stolen a vehicle, valued at approximately \$24,000.00, from the area of Iron Ore Road and Daum Road after the vehicle had become disabled. Patrolman Anthony Cascella handled the report, which is pending further investigation.

**23MN08860 – Fraud**

On Wednesday, March 15, 2023, at approximately 12:53 p.m. a 68-year-old Manalapan resident responded to Manalapan Township Police Headquarters and reported that an unknown actor(s) attempted to purchase furniture using the victim's account. There was no monetary loss reported as a result of this incident. Patrol Officer Jean Letts handled the report, which is pending further investigation.