Manalapan Twp. Police Dept. Press Releases May 21, 2025 – May 27, 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! ***

25MN17845- Residential Fire

On Tuesday, May 27th, 2025 at approximately 7:05 p.m., patrol officers were called to a residence in Manalapan for a reported fire within a fan in the bathroom. Members from both the Manalapan and Millstone Township Fire Companies responded and deemed the home safe after attending to the fire. Detective Dennis O'Brien from the Manalapan Township Police Department, as well as the Monmouth County Fire Marshal were called to assist. Ptl. Abdoulaye Diagne was the initial investigating officer.

25MN17828 - Fraud

On Tuesday, May 27th, 2025 at approximately 5:25 p.m., a 25-year-old Manalapan resident reported that an unknown actor fraudulently removed money from their bank account. The total amount of monetary loss by the victim at this time is \$9,200.00. Patrolman Marshall Bitsko handled the initial report which is pending further investigation.

25MN17758 – Theft of Property

On Tuesday May 27th, 2025, at approximately 10:28 a.m., a 45-year-old resident of Chesterfield, NJ reported the theft of a Kubota excavator. It was reported that the excavator, valued at \$37,225.00 was removed from a construction site in the area of Iron Ore Road. The excavator was later recovered a short distance from the construction site. Patrolman Brandon Rodrigues handed the initial report.

25MN17652 - MV Theft

On Monday, May 26th, 2025 at approximately 4:03 p.m., a 29-year-old Manalapan resident reported that unknown actor(s) stole an all-terrain vehicle from the residence. The victim is at a monetary loss of \$3,500.00. Patrolman Maisano handled the initial report.

25MN17641- Theft of Property

On Monday, May 26th, 2025 at approximately 1:08 p.m., an 84-year-old-Manalapan resident reported that unknown actors stole their wallet containing credit cards, driver's license, social security card, and \$2,000.00 in cash. The theft occurred sometime between May 20, 2025 and May 26, 2025. The total loss is valued at approximately \$2,000.00. This report was handled by Patrol Officer Hope Barina.

25MN17435 - Fraud

On Saturday, May 24th, 2025, at approximately 1:26 p.m., a 47-year-old Manalapan resident reported that their credit card was fraudulently charged \$113.30. This report was handled by Patrolman Brandon Yeung.

25MN17423 - Fraud

On Saturday, May 24th, 2025, at approximately 12:40 p.m., a 63-year-old Manalapan resident reported that unknown actor(s) had scheduled an appointment for a disability claim using their social security number. At the time of the report, there was no monetary loss. This report was handled by Patrolman Brandon Yeung.

25MN17334 - Simple Assault

On Friday, May 23rd, 2025 at approximately 9:38 p.m., three residents of East Brunswick, NJ, reported being involved in a physical altercation with multiple unknown actors while attending a party in Manalapan. All three sustained minor injuries. Patrolman Donovan Turner handled the initial report.

25MN17270 – Burglary

On Friday, May 23rd, 2025 at approximately 10:49 a.m., a 69-year-old Manalapan resident reported that unknown actor(s) entered their residence while they were away and stole numerous handbags, jewelry, cash, and personal effects. At the time of the report the total loss was unknown. The Manalapan Township Police Department Detective Bureau responded and processed the scene. Patrolman Joseph Santomarco Jr. handled the initial report.

25MN17268 - Fraud

On Friday, May 23rd, 2025 at approximately 10:34 a.m., a 24-year-old Manalapan resident reported that an unknown actor used their personal information to withdraw \$3,500.00 from their checking account. This report was handled by Patrolman Sean McCarthy.

25MN17208- Fraud

On Thursday, May 22nd, 2025 at approximately 6:53 p.m., a 72-year-old Manalapan resident reported that they were contacted by two unknown actors, one of which was posing as Apple Security and the other posing as the Federal Trade Commission. The actors then attempted to obtain \$43,000.00 from the victim. The victim is not at a monetary loss at this time. Patrolman Matthew Jastrzembski handled this report.

25MN17170 - Fraud

On Thursday, May 22nd, 2025 at approximately 12:29 a.m., a 22-year-old Manalapan resident reported that their crypto currency was taken out of their account by an unknown actor, resulting in \$60,741.06 of monetary loss. This report was handled by Patrolman Brandon Yeung.

25MN17085- Vandalism

On Wednesday, May 21st, 2025 at approximately 6:20 p.m., a Manalapan business reported an act of vandalism that occurred on their property. This incident is pending further investigated. Patrolman Edward Burns handled the report.

25MN17074 - Fraud

On Wednesday, May 21st, 2025 at approximately 3:16 p.m. a 76-year-old Manalapan resident reported an unknown actor(s) attempted to fraudulently obtain approximately \$1,500.00 from the victim. The victim is at no monetary loss at this time. Patrolman Matthew Jastrzembski handled the report.