

Good afternoon,

I hope this message finds you well. I'm writing to provide a brief update on recent crime trends within the confines of the 112th Precinct and to share important crime prevention tips that may benefit our constituents.

Over the past several weeks, we have identified a concerning pattern of residential burglaries involving individuals posing as Amazon delivery workers. These individuals wear high-visibility vests and carry packages to create a false sense of legitimacy before attempting to gain access to residential buildings or private homes.

Additionally, the precinct has experienced an uptick in package thefts, grand larceny autos (GLAs), and thefts of unattended property—particularly in public areas such as retail store, gyms, and transit hubs.

#### Crime Prevention Tips:

##### Residential Burglary Prevention:

- Do not open the door to anyone you do not know or are not expecting—even if they appear to be a delivery worker.
- Use intercoms or video doorbells to verify identities before granting access.
- Secure all entry points, including front doors, rear doors, windows, and fire escapes.
- Report any suspicious individuals or activity to 911 immediately.
- Contact PO Cumbo at 718-520-9319 for a free security survey of your residence or commercial building.

##### Package Theft Prevention:

- Use Amazon lockers or request packages be delivered with a required signature.
- Arrange deliveries when someone is home or have items sent to a secure location.
- Install building entry cameras or video doorbells to deter theft and aid investigations.

##### Grand Larceny Auto (GLA) Prevention:

- Never leave your vehicle running or unattended.
- Lock all doors and remove valuables, including key fobs and documents.
- Consider visible anti-theft devices like steering wheel locks or tire locks.
- Install a GPS tracking device to assist with vehicle recovery.

##### Unattended Property Theft Prevention:

- Never leave bags, phones, laptops, or wallets unattended in public places, even briefly.
- Keep personal belongings within reach and in sight at all times.
- Be mindful in high-traffic areas where opportunistic thefts can occur quickly and quietly.
- Use anti-theft bags or accessories when in transit or in crowded environments.

Crime prevention officers are actively working with the community to raise awareness and enhance safety through targeted outreach. Your assistance in disseminating these tips—via newsletters, social media, or community forums—would be immensely valuable.

Please don't hesitate to reach out if you have any further information, questions or concerns.

Thank you,  
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