

HAVERFORD TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Official Press Release

Thefts from Vehicles

On Wednesday August 26th 2009 at 0635 hrs, The Haverford Township Police Department responded to the 100 block of Whitemarsh Rd for a report of two subjects sleeping in a vehicle. Police located two black males sleeping in a green Toyota, which upon further investigation was determined to be a stolen vehicle from Lower Merion Township. While checking the interior of the vehicle police located a Garmin GPS unit that did not belong to either subject or the listed vehicle owner. Police determined the GPS unit also had been stolen from a vehicle in Lower Merion Township. The subject seated in the passenger seat of the vehicle was determined to have an outstanding warrant for arrest. Police took both subjects into custody and they were returned to the police station to be charged with receiving stolen property. The subjects were identified as Dwight Hicks B/M/20 currently homeless and Robert Wells B/M/22 of the 5000 block of Walnut St. Philadelphia. Both subjects were interviewed by Detectives from Haverford and Lower Merion Townships, the subject admitted to committing thefts from numerous vehicles in the area. Many of these thefts have occurred during the overnight hours, most of the thefts have been from unlocked vehicles parked along the street or in driveways in front of residences. Quite often residents have heard noises or observed suspicious person in the area but neglected to report these incidents to the police until after the thefts were discovered.

In an effort to help reduce the chance of becoming a victim of one of these crimes, residents are encouraged to visit the Haverford Township Police Department website at www.haverforpolice.org to review crime prevention tips.

The investigation of these thefts is continuing by the Detective Division of the Haverford Township Police Department. Anyone with information should contact Sergeant Daniel Wallower of the Haverford Township Police Department Investigations Division at 610-853-1298 ext. 232. Residents are reminded to report any suspicious persons, vehicles or incidents to police by calling 911 and requesting to speak to an officer to have the incident documented.

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