

# EVENDALE POLICE DEPARTMENT COUNCIL REPORT

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## *OUR MISSION*

*The members of the Evendale Police Department are committed to the principles that define democracy, including the protection of constitutional rights and equal protection under the law. We will at all times exercise the authority granted to us in an ethical, consistent and lawful manner.*

## ***ROBBERY***

On 12/3 at approximately 1:00 a.m., Evendale Police were dispatched to Burger King for a robbery in progress. Sgts. Abrams and Lantry were on scene within seconds. Upon arrival, the suspect had already fled out the back door. A perimeter was set up and a canine summoned. A track was identified, however, the scent went cold in the rear lot of GE Credit Union. An ambulance was called for the restaurant manager who was struck in the back of the head by the suspect's pistol. Two other subjects were unharmed, however, all three victims had their hands secured behind their backs by the suspect. At the time of the offense the restaurant was closed for business, and it was believed that all doors were secure. It is unknown how the suspect gained entry. Detective Holloway responded and assisted in crime scene evaluation. Case investigation continues.

## ***THEFT***

An employee of Safety Shoe Distributors advised Officer Curry that person(s) unknown cut the catalytic converter from a vehicle in their parking lot. There were no investigative leads, and the complainant was advised that the case would be suspended inactive.

Officer Ward responded to Wendy's and met with the district manager who stated that the office safe was short by \$35.18. The complainant added that only managers have access to the safe. Officer Ward interviewed a suspected manager about the

discrepancy. That suspect denied taking the cash. There are no security cameras in the office where the safe is located. Pending further investigative leads, the case was suspended inactive.

On 12/7 Lt. Niehauser responded to 10557 Medallion Dr. for a theft report. Upon arrival, he spoke with a victim who stated that unknown person(s) sawed off the catalytic converter from his vehicle. At the time of the report there were no known suspects or witnesses, nor was there security video. Therefore, the case was suspended inactive.

Officer Ward was dispatched to WalMart for a shoplifter in custody. According to Loss Prevention, Antoinette Bonner selected multiple clothing items and groceries valued at \$483.73 and attempted to leave the store without paying for same. Bonner was charged with theft and taken to the Hamilton Co. Justice Center.

WalMart Loss Prevention observed a subject selecting toys and concealing them in bags she had taken from the electronics counter. She then attempted to leave the store without paying for the items valued at \$118.16. Subsequently, Dana L. Cook was arrested and charged with theft.

Orlando G. Varela was observed by WalMart Loss Prevention concealing ladies watches on his person and attempting to leave the store without paying for the items. Total value of the watches was \$24.76. Varela was ar-

rested, charged with theft, and taken to the Justice Center.

On 12/14 Officer Akers responded to WalMart for a shoplifter in custody. Loss Prevention reported that the suspect concealed \$153.24 worth of merchandise in her purse and walked past the point of sale without paying for the items. As a result, Lashon R. Williams was arrested and charged with theft.

Amanda L. Wilson concealed \$164.32 worth of merchandise in a backpack and attempted to leave the store without paying for same. Subsequently, Wilson was arrested by Officer Akers and charged with theft.

Officer Akers responded to Central Tool Rental for a theft report. The complainant advised that an unknown suspect entered the rear parking lot in a newer white GMC Acadia and took a Stihl Backpack Blower. Video surveillance captured the offense. Case is under investigation.

WalMart Loss Prevention reported to Officer Vonderhaar that Dana Huntey was acting as a "look-out" while her friend, Jennifer M. Brock, stole items valued at \$283.02. Huntey and Brock then attempted to leave the store without paying for the items. Huntey was arrested and charged with theft and complicity. Brock was arrested and charged with theft.

Officer Vonderhaar responded to WalMart for a theft report. Upon arrival Loss Prevention

advised that Monique N. Engram concealed items valued at \$520 in multiple reusable bags and attempted to leave the store without making payment. Engram was arrested and charged with theft.

After receiving a walk-in complaint of the theft of a cemetery urn from Rest Haven Cemetery, Evendale officers responded to the cemetery to investigate. While there, they learned that the maintenance people at Rest Haven estimated that approximately 45 cemetery urns had been stolen in the past 2 months. Each urn is valued at \$163 each. Case investigation continues.

On 12/24 Officer McKinney responded to WalMart for a theft which had just occurred. Upon arrival, the suspect was detained in the Loss Prevention office and admitted to taking multiple items valued at \$101.12 and passing the point of sale without paying for same. Shawnita Thomas was charged with theft and cited to Evendale Mayor's Court.

At 5:00 p.m. on 12/27, an employee of KDM came out of work to find that unknown person(s) had cut off the catalytic converter from his vehicle. Officer Vonderhaar advised the victim that an investigation is pending.

Officer Shope responded to Subway to stand by while management terminated an employee. The complainant stated that during the course of employment, the juvenile female stole \$30 in U.S. cur-

rency from the cash register. The defendant sold a \$30 gift card, but failed to load the \$30 onto the card. She then voided the transaction and pocketed the money. The juvenile was arrested and cited to Hamilton Co. Juvenile Court.

On 12/31, Lt. Niehauser received a phone call concerning the theft of a cell phone from a teen dance held at The Sphere. According to the complainant, his daughter had the phone taken from the pocket of her jacket while attending the dance. Phone service was terminated. Attempts to locate the phone through GPS were unsuccessful. Due to a lack of further information, the case was suspended inactive.

### ***MISSING PERSON***

On 12/1 a female subject arrested by Evendale Police was reported missing by her father. He stated that when he went downtown to pick her up from the jail, she was not there. A critical missing person broadcast was put out and a missing person entry made in RCIC. After an extensive investigation, the subject was located at the Drop-In Center and brought back to the station. Her father was notified and responded to take her home. The missing person warrant was cancelled and a general broadcast put out advising that the missing person had been located. Case closed.

### ***LOST/STOLEN PROPERTY***

A patron of WalMart reported that after unloading the con-

tents of his cart into his vehicle, he mistakenly left a fanny pack in the cart in the cart corral. After returning to his motel, he realized the fanny pack was missing and drove back to Wal-Mart. Customer Service stated that nothing had been turned in. The complainant then reported the incident to Officer Curry who had Loss Prevention pull the security video of the incident. The video showed a family of two males and one female go past the cart corral and load their purchases into their vehicle. The female then went back to the corral and took the fanny pack. Loss Prevention printed a copy of the suspects' charges on their credit card and stated that Officer Curry could contact Wal-Mart's home office for further investigative information. Case investigation continues.

A patron of Valley Thrift Store reported that her cosmetic bag was lost or stolen. She was assisted by the store manager while searching for the bag, to no avail. The bag contained a social security card, Ohio driver's license, child support card, and Medicaid card. Pending further investigative leads, the complainant was advised the case would be suspended inactive.

### ***CRIMINAL DAMAGING***

A complainant advised Lt. Phillips that he parked in Walgreens parking lot and another person opened his car door, striking the complainant's vehicle. There were visible scratches on the right side passenger door. The two exchanged information and went on their way. Lt. Phillips contacted the other party who admitted to the offense. He indi-

cated he had insurance that would take care of the damage. Case suspended inactive.

### ***TAMPERING W/COIN MACHINES***

Officer Ward was advised that unknown person(s) tried to gain entry to the Pepsi vending machine located at the Evendale E-Z Car Wash. There were four scratches on the left side of the machine where someone tried to gain entry but was unsuccessful. There were no investigative leads, and the case was suspended inactive.

### ***FAILURE TO COMPLY***

On 12/8 Officer McKinney attempted to stop a vehicle for a speeding violation. After turning on the cruiser's overhead lights, the suspect vehicle failed to stop. After also giving audible signals to stop, the driver willfully eluded Officer McKinney and subsequently led officers on a high-speed traffic pursuit through multiple jurisdictions. Officers were able to identify the driver of the vehicle as the registered owner, Gregory J. Martin. Several hours later, Blue Ash Police advised they located the suspect vehicle at one of their motels. They then made contact with Martin and took him into custody on an arrest warrant signed by Springdale Police Department and transported him to the Justice Center. Officer McKinney then went to the Justice Center and filed charges on Martin for Speed and Failure to Comply. Case closed by arrest.

### ***DECEASED PERSON***

Evendale Officers responded to M.C. Mobility for a sick person. Shortly thereafter, the dispatch was updated to a possible non-breather. Upon arrival, Evendale Paramedics were performing CPR, and the subject was transported to Bethesda North Hospital. Officer Wedig arrived at the hospital and spoke with a nurse who advised that the subject had died. Case closed.

### ***DRUG ABUSE***

On a routine traffic stop, Officer McKinney observed a glass pipe in plain view on the floorboard of the vehicle. A further search revealed 9.8 grams of marijuana in an empty pill bottle hidden in a compartment above the rear view mirror. A marijuana grinder was found inside the center console of the vehicle. The juvenile suspect admitted that the marijuana was his for personal use. He was transported to the station where he was processed and released to his parents. The case will be heard in Hamilton Co. Juvenile Court. Another juvenile was a passenger in the vehicle and was taken into custody, processed, and released to his parents. He was cited to Hamilton Co. Juvenile Court.

While on routine patrol, Officer Titgemeyer ran a tag that came back with several traffic capias attached to it. After reciting Michael Makrancy, he was asked if he had anything in the car that was illegal. He stated that he had a bowl and about 2 grams of marijuana in the trunk. Officer Titgemeyer arrested Makrancy and

charged him with drug abuse.

Officer Ward conducted a traffic stop on 12/26 for an equipment violation. Permission to search the vehicle was granted, and Officer Ward found one glass and one plastic container with marijuana residue, a pipe with marijuana residue, and cigarette wrapping papers. The passenger, Kevin Green, admitted to ownership of the items and was charged with possession of drug paraphernalia. The driver was issued a warning citation for the equipment violation.

Officer Vonderhaar stopped a vehicle at which time he noticed a strong odor of marijuana. When asked about the marijuana, the defendant handed him an open pouch with a small baggie of marijuana inside. Therefore, Larry Brown was arrested and charged with drug abuse.

Officer McKinney conducted a traffic stop and, upon speaking with the driver, noticed a strong odor of marijuana coming from the vehicle. A search of the vehicle revealed a digital scale with marijuana residue. The driver then admitted that there was no marijuana in her vehicle, but there was a small amount of marijuana in the room she was staying in at the Hollywood Motel. Officers located 5.1 grams of marijuana in a small plastic baggie on top of a night stand inside of her room. Subsequently, Jennifer M. Behrens was arrested and charged with possession of marijuana.