

CITY OF DOVER, NEW HAMPSHIRE

POLICE DEPARTMENT



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DOVER POLICE INVESTIGATE THEFTS FROM MOTOR VEHICLE

Dover, NH, May 13, 2024 – The Dover Police Department is conducting an investigation into thefts from motor vehicles that occurred on Sunday, May 12th. The police department received two reports of thefts that occurred at the Longhill Dog Park, located at 42 Longhill Road, Dover. In both incidents, victims reported that wallets were stolen which contained identification cards, checks, credit and debit cards, and other personal information. During one of the thefts, the suspect smashed the vehicle's window to gain access.

The suspects were reportedly driving a dark blue sedan, possibly a Nissan Altima, and displaying a vanity plate with some variation of "TR SLAYER" or "T1RESLYR".

It is believed that the perpetrators are part of an out-of-state organized crime group that is known for "smash and grab" thefts with the intent of stealing personal and banking information to commit financial frauds. Thefts of this nature typically occur at gyms, recreation areas, or other locations where citizens will leave their purse or bag in the vehicle for a brief time.

To prevent similar thefts, consider the following tips:

- Lock Your Vehicle: Always make sure to lock your vehicle's doors whenever you leave it unattended. This simple step is the first line of defense against opportunistic thieves. Keeping your vehicle securely locked before walking away can significantly reduce the risk of theft.
- Avoid Leaving Valuables in Sight: Keep valuables such as electronics, purses, wallets, and other items out of plain sight. It's best to not store these items in your car at all, but if you must leave items in your vehicle, store them in the trunk or glove compartment before arriving at your destination.
- **Report Suspicious Activity**: If you observe anyone loitering around vehicles, attempting to break in, or engaging in suspicious behavior, report it to the police department <u>immediately</u>. Your prompt action can help prevent thefts and apprehend criminals.



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Anyone with information about this incident is asked to call the Dover Police Department at 603-742-4646 or the Dover Crimeline at 603-749-6000. The Dover Crimeline can also be contacted via www.dovernhcrimeline.org.

Media inquiries concerning this case can be directed to Lieutenant Mark Nadeau of the Dover Police Department at 603-742-4646 or m.nadeau@dover.nh.gov.