

# Maynard Police Department Monthly Report

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# Maynard Police Department Currently Seeking Public's Help Locating Individuals in Connection with Motor Vehicle Thefts, Serious Crash

Police Chief Michael Noble and the Maynard Police Department are currently seeking the public's assistance in locating an organized group of suspects involved in fleeing the scene after crashing a stolen motor vehicle early Wednesday morning.

On Wednesday, Aug. 30 at approximately 3:30 a.m., Maynard Police received reports of individuals who were believed to be breaking into and stealing cars near Acton Street at Christmas Motors.

Upon arrival, officers observed several cars blocking the roadway, and vehicles leaving the area of Acton Street and Brown Street. One vehicle was observed driving down Route 27 and turning the wrong way onto Main Street. Officers activated their blue emergency lights and attempted to stop the apparently stolen vehicle.

The driver of the vehicle drove off at a high rate of speed and later crashed around the area of 217 Main St. The suspect then fled the scene on foot.

Mutual aid was provided by NEMLEC K-9s, Acton Police, Stow Police, Sudbury Police, and Massachusetts State Police, to help locate the suspect who fled on foot. Due to the terrain and weather conditions, police were unable to locate the suspect.

A preliminary investigation determined that the suspects arrived in Maynard with vehicles stolen out of Leominster and Sudbury. The vehicles in question were determined to be:

A white BMW X4, was stolen from Sudbury and later found unoccupied in Worcester late Wednesday morning.

- A white Chrysler Pacific, which was stolen from Leominster and later found unoccupied and recovered in Fitchburg late Wednesday morning.
- A gray Dodge Ram 4-door, which was stolen from Maynard and later found unoccupied and recovered in Maynard.
- A gray Toyota Rav4, which was stolen from Leominster and has not been found at this time.
- A gray Toyota Avalon, which was stolen from Maynard and recovered in Maynard following a motor vehicle crash.

Maynard Police believe that there were at least 8-10 suspects and at least two other vehicles that were stolen from Leominster and remain missing at this time.

The suspect who fled the scene on foot was seen on home surveillance cameras, which can be viewed here.

Maynard Police is asking anyone who may have ring camera footage during that time in the areas of Brown Street or Main Street to contact Maynard Police Sgt. Trista Manchuso or Det. Joe Morahan by phone 978-897-1011, or email tmanchuso@maynardpolice.com and jmorahan@maynardpolice.com.

The incident is being investigated by the Maynard Police Department with assistance from area departments and the Massachusetts State Police. The investigation remains active and ongoing.

We are in the business of noticing good deeds, kinds words, helpful actions and safe behavior! We have partnered with Erikson's Ice Cream to reward the youth in our community for all of the above.

Erikson's so generously donated gift cards for our Police Officers to hand out to these stand out kids, thank you!

Pictured here is SRO McCann handing out gift cards to three friends spotted wearing their helmets while biking around town!





On August 1<sup>st</sup>, the Maynard Police Department received 35 reports of vehicles that had been rummaged through or broken into. The matters are under investigation.

On August 4<sup>th</sup>, Ofc. Oliveira responded to 7/11 for a report of shoplifting. An individual reportedly stole two packs of cigarettes. The individual was identified via video and a summons was issued.

On August 6<sup>th</sup>, Sgt. Manchuso observed a male dumping construction debris into a Housing Authority dumpster. The individual was advised on the and educated on the penalties of illegal dumping, the report was forwarded to the Housing Authority.

On August 19<sup>th</sup>, Ofc. Banatoski responded to a Nason Street business for a report of an employee who entered the business after hours and stole money from the cash register. A no-trespass order was issued, and a summons was issued.

On August 22<sup>nd</sup>, Ofc. Muraguri responded to Spirits Liquor Store for a report of a male who stole a bottle of liquor from the store. The suspect was identified by the Concord Police Department, a no-trespass order was issued, and the male was told to return and pay for the item.



Police Chief Michael Noble and Fire Chief Angela Lawless are pleased to announce that the Maynard Police and Fire Departments and Maynard Dispatch completed ASHER Training on Tuesday, August 8<sup>th</sup>. Maynard Police, Fire, and Dispatch ran through several different scenarios throughout the day, to practice intercommunication skills and be ready for unexpected instances such as an active shooter.

There seems to be a recent increase in those who do not have an RMV-issued disability placard or license plate parking in spaces reserved for those who do. We take these violations very seriously. The Maynard Police Department will be conducting increased parking enforcement. Please be thoughtful, be courteous, follow the law, and do not take a space from someone who is in need of it and has the right to it. We encourage you to report any violations to us at 978-897-1011 extension 0.

Police Chief Michael Noble and Fire Chief Angela Lawless announce that the Maynard Police and Fire Departments will host a Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) "Until Help Arrives" training class for community members. Training will be held on Wednesday, Sept. 20 from 6-8:30 p.m., at the Maynard Fire Station, 30 Sudbury St., and is open to all residents and community members. Until Help Arrives teaches individuals key skills and techniques they can use to bridge the critical minutes between a crisis and the arrival of first responders. The course will cover five objectives: how to effectively communicate with 911 operators, protecting the injured from further harm, how to position the injured, how to stop life-threatening bleeding, and how to provide emotional support. Training is free and sign-up is required.

On August 16<sup>th</sup>, Officer Emmanuel Avril was sworn in. Officer Avril comes to the Maynard Police Department from the Leominster Police Department, where he was for five years. Prior to that Officer Avril was a Special Police Officer here in Maynard for three years. Welcome back, Officer Avril.

School is back in session tomorrow! Welcome back students and teachers, We hope you thoroughly enjoyed your summer vacation. A few reminders as we all get back into the groove:

- Stop for school buses when the stop sign and lights are activated.
- Keep an eye out for those students who may be walking to school.
- Stop at crosswalks to allow students/parents to cross.
- Be mindful of where you are parking during drop off/pick up.
- The speed limit on Tiger Drive is 15 MPH.
- Keep an eye out for those flashing School Zone signs. Let's all work together to keep our students safe.



### Did you know that the Maynard Police Department has a Tip Line?

- •You can make an anonymous complaint by calling 978-897-0563.
  - •These calls are kept anonymous, and private and are not recorded.
- \*Please note, this line is not monitored 24 hours a day. If you have an emergency please dial 911, if you have an incident that requires an immediate response call 978-897-1011\*



Sergeant Manchuso attended a NEMLEC training.

## Motor Vehicle Stops

#### **Action Taken**

Civil Citation	24
Written Warning	51
Verbal Warning	121
Arrests (Motor Vehicle Related)	0
Criminal Complaint	7
Total Motor Vehicle Stops	203

## Motor Vehicle Accidents

#### Location

#### Number of Motor Vehicle Accidents

Acton Street	1
Brown Street	1
Digital Way	2
Great Road	1
Haynes Street	1
Main Street	2
Parker Street	4
Tiger Drive	1
Total	13

### Arrests

Total: 1
It is important to note that subjects are placed under arrest based upon probable cause and the arrest, in and of itself, is not a determination of guilt. Arrests that are not listed may represent juvenile or domestic violence arrests or those placed into protective custody.