



# PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY POLICE DEPARTMENT

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### Online Police Reporting Now Available

PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY, VIRGINIA . . . The Prince William County Police Department has added a new online crime/incident reporting capability to its website: [www.pwcgov.org/police](http://www.pwcgov.org/police). This online police reporting system provides a convenient option for the public to file reports for certain types of non-emergency incidents that occurred within the Prince William County Police Department's jurisdiction.

"The implementation of online crime reporting by victims is a significant step in efficiency for the Police Department and for the public," said Police Chief Charlie T. Deane. "The new system enables individuals to save time reporting certain types of crimes and reduces administrative duties for the police officers, allowing them more time for investigations and other duties."

He added that the public will now have more flexibility in reporting certain types of crimes. "We are pleased to implement this enhancement of service," Chief Deane said.

#### Is online reporting right for you? It is if:

- The crime/incident you're reporting is not an emergency (for emergencies, please call 9-1-1).
- The crime/incident occurred in Prince William County (e.g., not City of Manassas or City of Manassas Park).
- You do not know who committed the crime/incident (e.g., there are no known suspects).
- You are 18 years old, or older.
- You have an e-mail address where information can be sent to you.

#### What types of crimes/incidents can you report online?

- Harassing Calls, Texts & E-mails: defined as unwanted phone calls, text messages or e-mails of an annoying or harassing nature.
- Hit & Run: defined as your vehicle or property is struck by a vehicle, causing damage with no personal injury.
- Larceny / Theft: defined as your property is taken without your permission (you cannot use this online system to report stolen firearms or prescription drug offenses).
- Larceny / Theft from Auto: defined as property is stolen from within, or off of, a motor vehicle.
- Lost Property: defined as property unintentionally left behind, or property lost at an unknown time and/or location.

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