



Spotsylvania County Sheriff's Office Crime Solvers



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TIP OF THE WEEK

Did a nursing home or assisted living facility take your stimulus check? May 15, 2020

Do you or a loved one live in a nursing home or assisted living facility? Are you (or they) on Medicaid? If you said "yes" to both, please read on and prepare to get mad. We've been hearing that some facilities are trying to take the stimulus payments intended for their residents on Medicaid. Then they're requiring those people to sign over those funds to the facility. Why? Well, they're claiming that, because the person is on Medicaid, the facility gets to keep the stimulus payment.

But here's the deal: those economic impact payments are, according to the CARES Act, a tax credit. And tax law says that tax credits don't count as "resources" for federal benefits programs, like Medicaid. So: when Congress calls these payments "tax credits" in the CARES Act, that means the government can't seize them. Which means nursing homes and assisted living facilities can't take that money from their residents just because they're on Medicaid. And, if they took it already, get in touch with your state attorney general and ask them to help you get it back.

This is not just a horror story making the rounds. These are actual reports that our friends in the Iowa Attorney General's Office have been getting – and handling. Other states have seen the same.

If you've experienced this already, tell your state attorney general's office first, and then tell the FTC: ftc.gov/complaint. If a loved one lives in a nursing facility and you're not sure what happened to their payment, talk with them soon. And consider having a chat with the facility's management to make sure they know which side of the law to be on.

Need more back-up? Then let me get legal on you for a minute. You can go right here to get the federal tax law that says refunds aren't considered a "resource" in federal benefits programs. And you can click this link to get the Congressional Summary that talks about the funds as tax credits not countable as resources for federal government programs. (It's on page 3.) And here's even more helpful information from the National Center on Law & Elder Rights for people who live in nursing homes or assisted living facilities. Again, though: if this has happened to you or a loved one, find your state attorney general's office contact information at naag.org and talk with them right away.

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GRAND LARCENY SHOPLIFT CFS 20-43204

CVS Courtland, 9767 Courthouse Road, on May 15, 2020 between 6:02 and 6:15pm three females went to a medication display aisle and concealed a large assortment of allergy medications valued at \$2,058.26 and then left. They are described as black, heavy set, wore black clothing and boarded a dark color minivan driven by a white male. CFS 20-43204

GRAND LARCENY SHOPLIFT CFS 20-43211

CVS Lafayette, 4501 Lafayette Blvd, on May 15, 2020 between 5:24 and 5:50pm three black females took 33 allergy medications from display shelves and concealed them and left the store. The medications are valued at \$1,345.77. CFS 20-43211

PETIT LARCENY FROM BUILDING CFS 20-42814

Wal-Mart 10001 Southpoint Parkway, on May 14, between 2:48 and 3:00pm 2020 the victim used the bathroom and placed a wallet on the paper dispenser and forgot it. The wallet is a black Faux leather wallet with a gold Harry Potter logo and contained the victim's driver's license, a firearm concealed carry permit and several credit cards. CFS 20-42814

PETIT LARCENY FROM AUTOMOBILES CFS 20-42830

Platinum Land and Finance, 420 Hudgins Road, on May 14, 2020 between 4:07 and 4:56pm the victim reported two Virginia State Inspection stickers missing from two vehicles. CFS 20-42830

PETIT LARCENY OTHER-FOX RUN CFS 20-43327

14200 block of Chase Court on May 16, 2020 between 8:05 and 9:40am unknown person collected the packages from mailboxes, opened one and took a pair of dark blue and black Crocs shoes valued at \$35.00. CFS 20-43327

FRAUD CFS 20-42607

10900 block Ashby Drive, on May 13, between 8:01 and 8:50pm 2020 someone used the victims Navy Federal Credit Card account to charge \$388.00 to the card. The item was sent to an address in Upper Darby, Pennsylvania. CFS 20-42607

IF YOU HAVE ANY INFORMATION REGARDING ANY OF THE ABOVE INCIDENTS OR ANY CRIME REPORT IT BY CALLING OR TEXTING THE CRIME SOLVERS NUMBERS NOTED ON TO OF THIS PAGE AND GET A REWARD. ALL INFORMATION YOU GIVE IS CONFIDENTIAL, YOU REMAIN ANONYMOUS, DO NOT APPEAR IN COURT AND EARN A REWARD OF UP TO \$1,000.00 IF YOUR TIP AIDS IN SOLVING A CRIME.



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Crime Solvers Statistics

From January 2000 through December 2019, the Spotsylvania County Crime Solvers has paid out over **\$100,000** in **CASH REWARDS** for information through 2,320 calls to the Crime Solvers Telephone Tip line, Crime Solvers Web Tip page, the former Text-A-Tip phone number, and the new P3 App Tip system. Information obtained has resulted in 207 arrests involving burglaries, drug distribution, arson, vandalism, breaking & entering and other crimes against the citizens of Spotsylvania County. To date there has been \$164,132 worth of stolen property recovered, and property and assorted types of drugs seized. From June 2010 through December 2019 64 Wanted Fugitives have been arrested.

Remember your phone call, Web Tip or
P3 App Tip can make a difference.

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