

VILLIAGE of MAMARONECK POLICE DEPARTMENT

Detective Bureau

Request for Information

On 06/22/2020 The Village of Mamaroneck Police Department arrested several individuals involved in attempting to defraud an elderly resident of \$8,000. On 06/24/2020 another village resident reported suffering a similar fraud on 06/08/2020. In that case the suspects completed the crime, stealing nearly \$7,000 dollars. Based upon investigation the Village of Mamaroneck Police Department believes that these cases are linked and is asking for the public's help in identifying any further victims.

The suspects method of operating is to contact a victim by phone and identify themselves to be an attorney or close family member (typically a nephew or grandson or representing them). The suspects go on to say that the family member has been arrested for a car accident in which a pregnant woman was struck and taken to the hospital. The suspects then say that family member has been arrested and needs bail money (between \$5,000 and \$10,000). The bail money is requested in cash and will be picked up in person at the victim's home. Once the transaction is completed in person the suspect will leave the victim a receipt.

The suspects deliberately target elderly victims because they may be easily convinced the fraud is real, and that they are hesitant to report it once they discover they have been victimized. Anyone who believes that they or a family member has been a victim of this fraud is urged to report it to the Village of Mamaroneck Police Department.

For Public Dissemination

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