

NEW LONDON POLICE DEPARTMENT

PRESS RELEASE

Incident type: Thefts from vehicles

Location: South side of New London

Date/Time: Past two weeks

Details: New London police officers have taken numerous complaints of thefts from vehicles in the past two weeks. The thefts are primarily occurring in residential neighborhoods south of the Wolf River, and the targets are unlocked vehicles. Items stolen commonly include cash and electronic items.

"These are crimes of opportunity," stated New London Police Chief Kevin Wilkinson. "Most of the time the culprits simply walk down the street trying car doors. If the door is locked, they move on. If it opens, they enter and see what they can find of value. The best crime prevention for this kind of theft is to simply lock your car doors."

Summer is always a season of increased theft rates. Residents are reminded to keep their vehicles locked, even in their own driveway. Any suspicious activity should be reported to police immediately, so they can respond while the perpetrators are still in the area.

Anyone with information about these thefts is encouraged to call NLPD and speak to an on-duty officer.

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