



UNITED STATES POSTAL INSPECTION SERVICE



U.S. ATTORNEY'S OFFICE FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK



NEIGHBORHOOD CRIME WATCH: PROTECT YOUR MAIL!

The U.S. Postal Inspection Service is investigating recent reports of incidents of mail theft in your neighborhood.

The U.S. Attorney's Office for the Eastern District of New York is prosecuting individuals apprehended and charged for these crimes. Postal Inspectors are working every day to secure your mail by investigating mail thieves and bringing them to justice. However, there are a few things you can do to help protect your mail:

1. Unauthorized individuals opening a green relay mailbox? We're investigating! You can help us by providing any photos or video(s) you may have of the suspicious activity at the green relay mailbox.
2. Never engage with suspicious individuals. Your safety is important. Call 911 and then contact Postal Inspectors on the Hotline **below** to report it.
3. Worried about the safety of your mail? Bring your outgoing mail to your local Post Office and deposit it inside the building.

Don't let mail thieves pull you into their crime:

- If you're offered a way to make money by opening an account for someone else, known or unknown; say NO
- If you're asked to "pay" a debt you owe by stealing mail; say NO
- If you're instructed to deposit checks and then transfer the funds to someone else—minus a small fee, Say NO.

Don't get involved. Don't get arrested for your involvement in a criminal act.

Have you witnessed signs of green relay mailbox tampering? Report broken locks and pry marks on a green relay mailbox to the Hotline **below** right away.

Postal Inspectors and the U.S. Attorney's Office encourage all mail theft victims to report it directly to the Postal Inspection Service. Each report is helpful in building impactful cases against those responsible.

You can report mail theft, identity theft, fraud or other crimes involving the U.S. Mail by calling the Postal Inspection Service's national toll-free number at **1-877-876-2455** or by going to **[uspis.gov/report](https://www.uspis.gov/report)** and filing an electronic report.