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Bi-Weekly Public Safety Activity Summary September 3rd – 16th, 2017

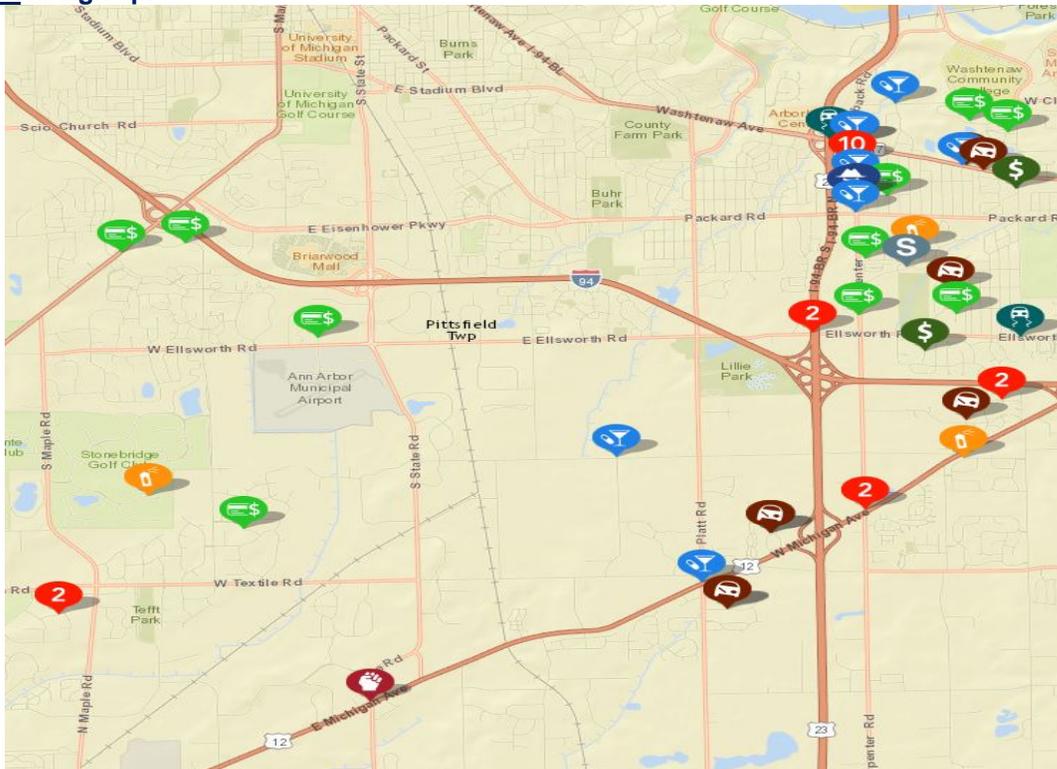
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CrimeMapping.com Map- click on "show reports / print" for details.

September 3rd – 16th, 2017, showing crime types: **Arson, Assault, Burglary, Disturbing the Peace, Drugs / Alcohol Violations, DUI, Fraud, Homicide, Motor Vehicle Theft, Robbery, Sex Crimes, Theft / Larceny, Vandalism, Vehicle Break-In / Theft, Weapons**

The below named incidents remain under investigation. If anyone has any information about or has been a witness to any of these crimes, please contact the Pittsfield Township Department of Public Safety at 734-822-4911 or the confidential tip line at 734-822 4959. Residents are encouraged to sign up for Pittsfield Township alerts and department notices through "**Notify Me**". Please go to www.pittsfield-mi.gov to sign up.



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Navigating the new Crime Mapping website for details

*(To access information: ✓ -the Police badge,  under visible agencies
✓ - the box for the Pittsfield Twp. map, ✓ -show only records from this agency, ✓ - on Reports for details)*

CrimeMapping Alerts / Notices of “verified reported incidents” in your neighborhood:
This tool provides accurate information on “reported incidents” in real time from 500 ft. to 2 miles from your home. You can also access the Sex Offender’s registry. Residents can get the alerts by email / text, today.

Sign up for crime alerts through www.crimemapping.com and for emergency notifications, including weekly public safety activity reports, at, www.pittsfield-mi.gov/notifyme

Equifax: September 14th, 2017--Cybersecurity Incident & Important Consumer Information

1) Additional information on credit freezes & troubleshooting issues.

We are experiencing a high volume of requests for security freezes, and have experienced some technical issues. We are working diligently to ensure an improved consumer experience.

Here’s some updated information for consumers with questions about placing security freezes:

- **If consumers request a security freeze online:** Consumers may place, temporarily lift, or remove a security freeze to an Equifax Credit File by going to <http://www.equifax.com/CreditReportAssistance/?/CreditReportAssistance>. Equifax does not currently email or mail the individual 10-digit PIN to consumers. It is available on the screen, and the consumer is asked to print the PIN from the screen. Our technology team is aware of some limited situations in which consumers are unable to view their PINs. We have identified that this is caused by their browser settings. We are working on a fix for this issue. In the meantime, we are displaying a phone number that consumers may call to receive a PIN.
- **If consumers request a security freeze over the phone or via U.S. Mail:** Equifax will mail consumers their individual, 10-digit PIN at the address on file.
- **Refunds for recently placed credit freezes:** Equifax intends to automatically refund consumers who used credit cards to place a security freeze on their Equifax credit file starting at 5:00 PM EST on Thursday, Sept. 7, 2017. We are also planning to refund consumers who paid by check or money order, but we are still finalizing the details of executing those refunds.

FTC: The Equifax Data Breach: What to Do

September 8, 2017 by Seena Gressin
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If you have a [credit report](#), there’s a good chance that you’re one of the 143 million American consumers whose sensitive personal information was exposed in a data breach at Equifax, one of the nation’s three major credit reporting agencies.

Here are the facts, according to Equifax. The breach lasted from mid-May through July. The hackers accessed people’s names, Social Security numbers, birth dates, addresses and, in some instances, driver’s license numbers. They also stole credit card numbers for about 209,000 people and dispute

documents with personal identifying information for about 182,000 people. And they grabbed personal information of people in the UK and Canada too.

There are steps to take to help protect your information from being misused. Visit Equifax's website, www.equifaxsecurity2017.com. (This link takes you away from our site. Equifaxsecurity2017.com is not controlled by the FTC.)

Find out if your information was exposed. Click on the "Potential Impact" tab and enter your last name and the last six digits of your Social Security number. Your Social Security number is sensitive information, so make sure you're on a [secure computer](#) and an [encrypted network connection](#) any time you enter it. The site will tell you if you've been affected by this breach.

Whether or not your information was exposed, U.S. consumers can get a year of free credit monitoring and other services. The site will give you a date when you can come back to enroll. Write down the date and come back to the site and click "Enroll" on that date. You have until November 21, 2017 to enroll.

You also can access [frequently asked questions](#) at the site.

Here are some other steps to take to help protect yourself after a data breach:

Check your credit reports from Equifax, Experian, and TransUnion — for free — by visiting annualcreditreport.com. Accounts or activity that you don't recognize could indicate identity theft. Visit IdentityTheft.gov to find out what to do.

Consider placing a [credit freeze](#) on your files. A credit freeze makes it harder for someone to open a new account in your name. Keep in mind that a credit freeze won't prevent a thief from making charges to your existing accounts.

Monitor your existing credit card and bank accounts closely for charges you don't recognize. If you decide against a credit freeze, **consider placing a [fraud alert](#) on your files.** A fraud alert warns creditors that you may be an identity theft victim and that they should verify that anyone seeking credit in your name really is you.

File your taxes early — as soon as you have the tax information you need, before a scammer can. Tax identity theft happens when someone uses your Social Security number to get a tax refund or a job. Respond right away to letters from the IRS.

Visit Identitytheft.gov/databreach to learn more about protecting yourself after a data breach.