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Bi-Weekly Public Safety Activity Summary December 12th – 31st, '16

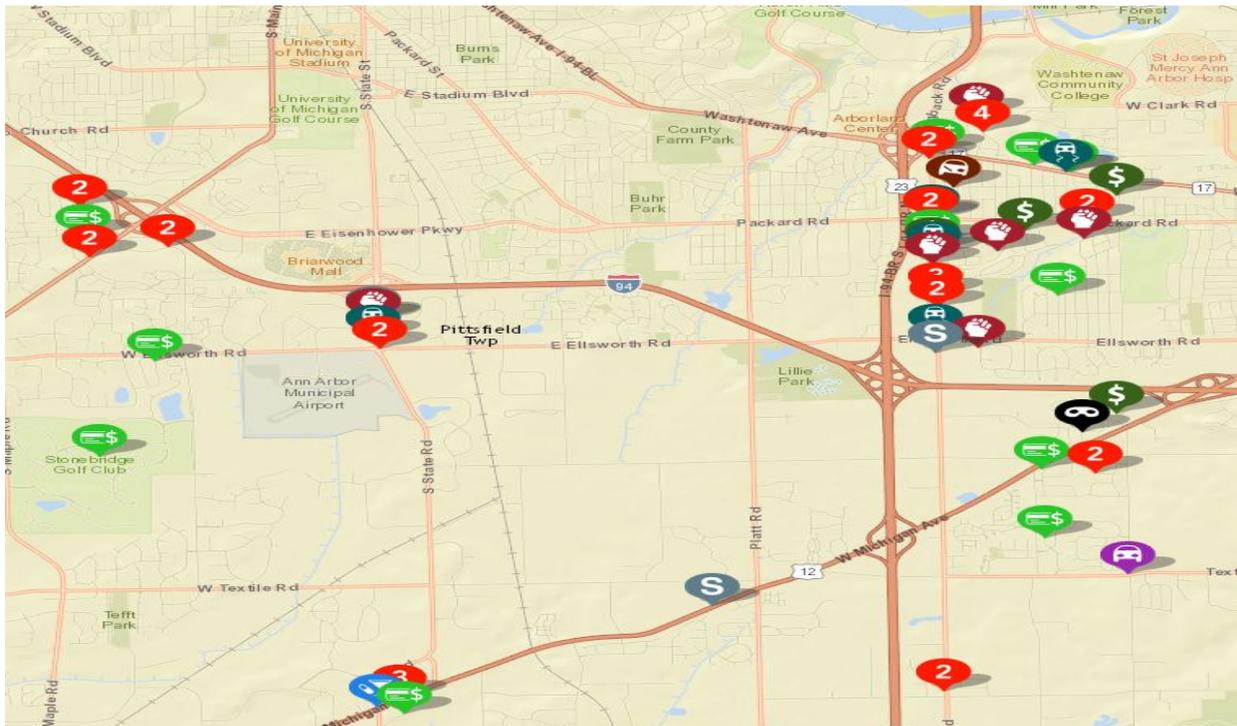
“Click the image below for Three (3) Weeks of CrimeMapping details”



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

December 12th – 31st, 2016, 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, sign up today.



Bar none: Imposter scams hit lawyers and other licensed professionals

By: Lesley Fair | Dec 28, 2016, [Bureau of Consumer Protection](#) –

You oversleep, spill the coffee, and get caught in a rush hour traffic jam. Then you check your messages and the day *really* heads south because according to the State Bar (or Board of Accountancy, Medical Society, or other group), you’re in trouble with your professional association. Or are you?

The FTC has been warning consumers for years about [government imposter scams](#): phone calls or email falsely claiming to be from the IRS, the local sheriff’s office, immigration authorities, or [even the FTC](#). Sometimes the voice on the other end threatens people with arrest if they don’t wire money immediately. Or they may want personal information – credit card numbers, banking data, or the like. The *modus operandi* is ever-evolving, but this much is true: The messages are false.

Now the bottom feeders have turned their attention to attorneys, accountants, doctors, and others who hold state licenses or certifications. With the click of a mouse, they mock up an official-looking – but not official, of course – email telling recipients that their licenses will be suspended unless they send past-due “fees” immediately. Some insist that you wire the money by the close of business, while others demand your credit card number.

In a variation on the scheme, fraudsters claim that someone has filed a professional complaint against you. To get the details, you’re directed to click on a link, which then installs malware on your computer.

Of course, State Bars and Boards regularly communicate with members via email – and yes, we all have to pay our annual dues. But if the circumstance is so serious that a person’s professional license is on the line, the first they’ll hear about it won’t be in email like that.

What should you do if you get a message claiming your dues are overdue, a complaint has been filed against you, the sender needs your trust account number, or your license is at risk? Call the Bar or Board directly. Just don’t use a phone number in the iffy email. Use one you know to be genuine – for example, the number on your membership card. And if it turns out to be a scam, [report it to the FTC](#) and warn others in your field that con artists may have them in their sights.