



# Pittsfield Charter Township

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## Bi-Weekly Public Safety Activity Summary

December 1<sup>st</sup>- 31<sup>st</sup>, 2019

**“Click the image below for CrimeMapping details- remember to check “Show Crime report”**



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

**December 1<sup>st</sup> - 31<sup>st</sup>, 2019, 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***

**Pittsfield Twp. D.P.S. 6227 W. MI Ave., lobby hours, Monday – Friday 8a.m. – 5p.m.**

**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:**

- Confidential TIP line: 734-822-4958 (Detective Bureau)
- General Information: 734-822-4911 (Front Desk)
- Request Police Response: 734-994-2911 (Metro Dispatch)

**Residents are encouraged to sign up for Pittsfield Township alerts and department notices through “Notify Me”. Please go to [www.pittsfield-mi.gov](http://www.pittsfield-mi.gov)**



**National Tax Security Awareness Week, Day 2: “Don’t take the bait: Recognize, avoid phishing scams from identity thieves” ([Click the image below to access the full article](#))**



Watch out for scam letters, phone calls

Emails aren't the only phishing tactic. Thieves may use letters or phone calls, especially when impersonating the IRS.

For example, recent letters claiming to be from the IRS are demanding payment of an overdue tax bill. The letter requests the check be paid to IRS, but it provides an incorrect telephone number. Remember: Letters for taxes due always request payment be made to the "United States Treasury."

If unsure, taxpayers can register at the official IRS.gov website and [check their account balance](#) if in doubt.

And no, that's not the IRS calling with angry demands of payment and threats of jail or a lawsuit. The IRS does not make threatening phone calls, nor does the IRS request payment via gift cards or debit cards like iTunes.

People who receive an IRS-imposter email scam should send it to [phishing@irs.gov](mailto:phishing@irs.gov). To report fraudulent letters and telephone calls, contact the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration at [TIGTA.gov](http://TIGTA.gov).

A new avenue is social media. Increasingly, thieves are embedding their links or malware in social media commentaries, tweets or posts. Do not open links from social media unless you are certain of the source.

The IRS, state tax agencies, the private sector tax industry, including tax professionals, work in partnership as the Security Summit to help protect taxpayers from identity theft and refund fraud. This is the second in a week-long series of tips to raise awareness about identity theft. See [IRS.gov/securitysummit](http://IRS.gov/securitysummit) for details.

**Larceny from Motor Vehicles – December 1<sup>st</sup> - 31<sup>st</sup>, '19**  
**“Please help eliminate crimes of opportunity”**

**During the peak of the holiday shopping season residents are reminded to lock your vehicle, remove valuable items, and please report suspicious persons / vehicles in or around your home. The CrimeMapping report below shows “24” larceny from motor vehicles, stolen vehicles, Theft / Larceny / and Vehicle Break-in / Theft.**

