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UPPER MERION TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT LAUNCHES DIGITAL CRIME FIGHTING TOOL

New website offers direct access to crime and public safety-related information

KING OF PRUSSIA, PA (April 14, 2023) – The Upper Merion Township Police Department and Director of Public Safety/Chief of Police Thomas Nolan announce the launch of a new website beginning on **Monday April 17, 2023.** The new website will give people who use social networks and mobile devices an easier, more effective way to help fight crime and stay informed.

The new Upper Merion Township Police Department <u>website</u> was developed in partnership with CRIMEWATCH Technologies and is part of the CRIMEWATCH Network (<u>crimewatch.net</u>). This online tool gives the public direct access to crime and public safety-related information happening in their community.

"This new website is the perfect entry point for establishing better police and public partnerships. Emerging technology like this gives us the opportunity to communicate more effectively with the public. Several police departments throughout the region are having great success using this technology", said Chief Nolan.

Upper Merion Township Police Department is also partnering with the Pennsylvania CRIMEWATCH Network; a communications platform developed specifically for law enforcement agencies that allows for geographically targeted information sharing and intelligence gathering.

Local residents and students are strongly encouraged to visit <u>UpperMerionPolice.org</u> to connect with police department social media sites, and/or download CRIMEWATCH Mobile from the <u>Apple App Store</u> or <u>Android App Store</u>.

The new Upper Merion Township Police Department Website can be found at UpperMerionPolice.org

This resource allows residents to do the following:

- Sign up for a free account to receive e-mail alerts regarding crime committed in certain areas,
- Submit a tip to local law enforcement,
- View recent arrests and "most wanted" lists,
- Register camera and alarm systems,
- Share information with others through social media, and
- Get connected with resources and services.

For more information or to view the new Upper Merion Township Police Department Website visit UpperMerionPolice.org or to learn more about CRIMEWATCH visit crimewatch.net