

DEPARTMENT MEMORANDUM

TO: Chief R. Tanksley
FROM: Det. M. Byrne 392/6515
SUBJECT: 2015 PAWN SHOP REPORT SUMMARY
DATE: 1-Dec-15

As you requested, the attached is a summary of police related activity at the local Oak Park pawn shops for the calendar year 2015.

American Jewelers & Loan, 6151 North Ave.

- 1- Call for Service
- 1- Alarm

Hollywood Pawnners, 6147 North Ave.

- 4- Call for Service
 - 1-Recovered Stolen Property
 - 1-Suspicious Auto
 - 1-Welfare Check
 - 1-Burglar Alarm

Cash America INC. 6303 North Ave.

- 23- Calls for Service
 - 1-Neglected Minor / left in car while parent in pawn shop
 - 1-Warrant Arrest
 - 1-Complaint about the business
 - 1-Domestic
 - 1-Thefts from the Business
 - 2- Suspicious Person/Panhandler
 - 2-Citizens Looking for stolen property
 - 2- Burglar Alarm
 - 12- Recovered Stolen Property Recovered by Outside Agencies
 - * Not listed in the calls for service were approximately forty items recovered by OPPD detectives that had pawned by three suspects involved in multiple burglaries in Oak Park.

To date, there have been a total of 28 calls for service. This number is slightly lower than 2014 when the department responded to 37 calls. The greatest number of calls for service continues to be for the recovery of stolen property by outside agencies. The actual number of recovery reports has fallen from 20 in 2014 to 13 in 2015. This number does not include property recovered by OPPD detectives.

All three of the businesses have been late in submitting the daily reports. Cash America consistently fails to submit the report on time (as described in state law and by local ordinance); the business is often a week or more behind with their reports. Joseph Jenks, the Manager of Cash America, would like to investigate the possibility of forwarding the reports via e-mail. The R/D believes that if it is possible to for IT to set up such a system it would benefit the department in that reports would be received in a more timely manner and we would eliminate the need to store boxes of reports.

I have attached the 2014 report for comparison. Although there were a number of police calls for service, other than the recovery of stolen property no enforcement action taken by this police department against any of the listed businesses.