



## Online system makes filing a police report easier and faster

This year the Springfield Police Department implemented a new system for citizens to file online police reports. Citizens can file police reports online for a number of incidents including Stealing, Forgery, Fraud, Harassment, Identify Theft, Lost (or Found) Property, Vandalism and Graffiti. Supplemental reports, additional information to reports already filed with SPD, can also be submitted online.



“The online system is user-friendly and helps streamline the process to file a police report,” said Police Chief Paul Williams. “We implemented the program with the hopes that those who were uncomfortable or unable to file in-person would utilize the online system. Since its launch in January of this year, we’ve received 395 reports through the online system.”

Once an online police report is completed, you will be e-mailed a tracking number, this is not a police case number. An official police case report number will be assigned and e-mailed to you once the report has been reviewed and approved by a supervisor. Upon review, if further information is needed, you may be contacted. An e-mail address is required to file an online report.

#### You cannot file a report online if:

- it is an emergency (Please call 911)
- the crime occurred outside the Springfield City limits
- you are reporting the theft of a gun, license plates or a motor vehicle
- there is any physical evidence that needs to be collected
- the incident occurred on a State Highway

The form to file a report online can be accessed directly through [springfieldmo.gov/3791/File-Online-Police-Supplemental-Report](http://springfieldmo.gov/3791/File-Online-Police-Supplemental-Report). Citizens can also access the new form on SPD’s website (<http://www.springfieldmo.gov/spd>) via the red left-hand sidebar button labeled “Report a Concern” or through the “How do I...” drop-down menu.

If you are submitting a Crime Stoppers tip, please visit [www.P3tips.com](http://www.P3tips.com).

For questions please contact Springfield Police at (417) 864-1810 or e-mail [Centralrecords@Springfieldmo.gov](mailto:Centralrecords@Springfieldmo.gov)

## Planning to go on vacation?

Please consider these safety tips to secure your home before heading out of town:

- Make sure all the locks on the doors and windows function properly and use them.
- Ask several neighbors to keep an eye on your residence while you are away. Leave your vacation address and telephone number with the neighbors so you can be reached in an emergency.
- Arrange for a neighbor to pick up your deliveries: mail, newspaper and any other packages.
- Make sure you have timers for lights, television or radios so they turn on and off at the appropriate times.
- Consider taking valuables that you cannot live without to a safety deposit box.
- Don’t advertise that you’re out of town on social media. Wait until you are home from vacation before posting pictures.
- Consider contacting SPD to request a watch order on your home while you are on vacation. We can be reached at (417) 864-1810.



## See Something. Say Something.

There’s no information that’s insignificant. Don’t hesitate. Call 911.

**Report criminal activity anonymously to Crime Stoppers.**

**(417) 869-TIPS**  
**[www.p3tips.com](http://www.p3tips.com)**

### Headquarters:

321 E. Chestnut Expressway  
Springfield, MO 65802

### South District Station:

2620 W. Battlefield Rd.  
Springfield, MO 65807

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Learn more about how you can be involved in crime prevention efforts:  
**(417) 874-2113 or [springfieldmo.gov/spd](http://springfieldmo.gov/spd)**

# Springfield Crime Statistics

## Second Quarter 2019 (April - June)

**↑ 15%**  
Overall increase  
in crime in 2nd Qtr.  
(Compared to 2nd Qtr. 2018)

### CRIMES AGAINST PERSONS

April - June	2018	2019
Homicide	1	2
Rape	78	93
Robbery	73	72
Aggravated Assault	415	561
<b>Total Against Persons</b>	<b>567</b>	<b>728</b>

THERE WAS A **28% TOTAL INCREASE** IN CRIMES AGAINST PERSONS FROM THIS PERIOD IN 2018.

### CRIMES AGAINST PROPERTY

April - June	2018	2019
Burglary	487	541
Larceny/Theft	1,974	2,239
Stolen Vehicle	348	360
<b>Total Against Property</b>	<b>2,730</b>	<b>2,658</b>

THERE WAS A **12% TOTAL INCREASE** IN CRIMES AGAINST PROPERTY FROM THIS PERIOD IN 2018.



**35%** increase  
in aggravated assaults  
due to a significant  
number of incidents  
with multiple victims.

No increase in actual injuries  
sustained.



There were  
**179 more thefts**  
from vehicles  
in the second quarter  
of 2019 compared to  
the same time in 2018.

Remember to keep car doors  
locked and valuables out of sight!

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