



St. Mary's County Sheriff's Office
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NEWS RELEASE

Identity Sought: Theft

LEONARDTOWN, MD (January 14, 2026) - The St. Mary's County Sheriff's Office is seeking to identify and locate a suspect in connection with a theft.

On Saturday, Jan. 10, 2026, at approximately 7 p.m., the subject seen in these surveillance camera images was recorded on video taking several bottles of alcoholic beverages from ABC Liquors in California, MD. The suspect was initially denied a sale because they lacked identification. The suspect left, returned shortly after, picked up the items, and left again, passing all points of sale.

Anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to contact Deputy First Class Austin Welch at 301-475-4200, ext. 8180, or by email at Austin.Welch@stmaryscountymd.gov. Please reference case #2026-2355.

Tipsters can also submit tips anonymously and may be eligible for a cash reward if the information leads to an arrest.

- Text **847411**, starting your message with **"SMCSO"**, add a space, and then your tip.
- Online: Submit a tip through the Sheriff's Office website at www.FirstSheriff.com/tips.
- App: Send a tip directly through the **SMCSO** app. Download the free app from the **Google Play Store** or **Apple App Store**.
- Phone: Call the **Crime Solvers** line at **301-475-3333**.

With Crime Solvers, you never have to give your name. You may be eligible for a cash reward if your information leads to an arrest.

