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## **PRESS RELEASE**

April 12, 2018 (3:25 p.m.)  
(**ARREST**-Theft From M/V Investigations)

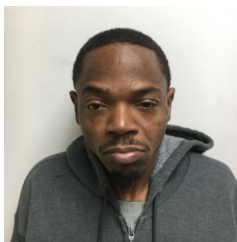
Detectives have identified, arrested and charged a Salisbury man for breaking into vehicles and stealing items from parked motor vehicles.

Since the beginning of February of 2018, Salisbury police officers and detectives have responded to and began investigations into 23 reports of vehicles being broken into and unlawfully entered. The locations of the incidents have been wide spread throughout the city and were as far north as Market Street, as far south as College Avenue, as far west as Riverside Drive and as far east as Spring Avenue. As the investigations were unfolding, detectives were able to work closely with local business owners and residential members of our community in an effort to identify a suspect.

Initial investigations revealed that the suspect smashed car windows and entered unlocked vehicles in an effort to steal valuable items such as laptop computers, cell phones, purses, wallets and even cameras. Detectives continued their investigative work with local business owners and residential home owners to locate, collect and analyze countless hours of surveillance video footage in an effort to identify the suspect involved in these crimes.

During the afternoon hours of April 10, 2018 detectives were able to positively identify 41 year old, Sydney Alonzo Hopkins as the person responsible for at least 10 of the incidents that the detectives are investigating. On April 11, 2018 a search and seizure warrant was executed where countless items of stolen property were located and collected. Upon the execution of the search and seizure warrant, Sydney Hopkins was arrested without incident and transported to the Wicomico County Detention Center.

Detectives believe that Sydney Hopkins is responsible for a large part of the incidents being investigated; however, they are working to identify additional suspects who are responsible for the remainder of the incidents. As the investigations continue, the Salisbury Police Department asks anyone with information about any of these incidents to contact Crime Solvers of the Lower Eastern Shore at (410) 548-1776 or the Salisbury Police Department at (410)548-3165.



### **ARRESTED:**

Sydney Alonzo Hopkins, 41 years of age, Salisbury, MD

### **CHARGES:**

Theft, malicious destruction of property, rogue and vagabond

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