



# VILLAGE OF KINGS POINT NEW YORK

## PUBLIC SAFETY MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES

In response to increased illegal activity across the Great Neck peninsula, the Village of Kings Point has taken several steps to address these issues. First and foremost, the Village of Kings Point Police Department has increased patrols to focus on crime prevention. By making our marked police vehicles more visible, and to conduct focused car stops, would-be criminals will be less likely to target our community.

Additionally, our police department's license plate reader (LPR) camera system will provide officers with insight on vehicles traveling in the village. This will help them identify potential stolen and other suspicious vehicles in real-time. We are coordinating with the Nassau County Police Department to provide additional resources and intelligence gathering, as a coordinated response to crime prevention. We have and will continue working with investigators from Nassau County Police and New Jersey Police to retrieve the stolen cars.

The Village of Kings Point is working in close cooperation with the Nassau County Police Department and our neighboring communities to share information and present a unified crime prevention strategy across our area. Nassau County PD Community Oriented Police Enforcement (COPE) teams have been assigned to the Great Neck area each day to not only mitigate criminal activity, but also focus on quality of life issues for our residents.

We ask our residents to remain vigilant of suspicious activity in their neighborhoods and call Village of Kings Point Police at (516) 482-1000 or dial 911.

All residents are reminded to help prevent crimes by always locking vehicles and removing the key fob from the interior. Almost all cases of stolen vehicles are a result of key fobs being left in cars. A vigilant community that always has a large volume of locked cars is less attractive to thieves. These criminals are known for repeatedly targeting areas where they successfully steal vehicles. Please secure your home by ensuring that doors are locked, alarm systems are set and both exterior and interior lights are turned on after dark.

We have been in direct communications with all the Mayors in the Great Neck Peninsula and are coordinating with combined efforts to address all concerns of our residents. We have intermunicipal agreements with the Nassau County Police Department and Great Neck Estates Police Department to work closely and assist as needed. We would like to reassure you that the Village of Kings Point Police Department is staffed with highly skilled and trained officers and professionals. We have full confidence that they will do everything possible to keep our community safe.

Sincerely,

*Kris Torkan*

Mayor, Village of Kings Point