



SPOKANE POLICE DIVISION

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Closed Case Summary

Complaint Number: C16-026 OPO Number: N/A
Date of Complaint: 3/29/2016
Allegation: Inadequate Response
Chain of Command Finding: Inquiry
Final Discipline: Not Applicable

INCIDENT SYNOPSIS

The complaint is a result of a lack of response to a report of a malicious mischief to the complainant's vehicle windshield being broken in November of last year. The complainant is upset that no one came out to his house to view the damage, take fingerprints and he had not received a phone call about the damage to his property.

INVESTIGATION

Internal Affairs researched the incident number and found another related call. Both of these calls were taken by Crime Check between 10:41 and 10:45 on the morning of November 6th. The investigator also noted that at 14:08, information was added to the call including a suspect name. The report stated the crime occurred between 00:00 and 06:00. In the initial Crime Check report it states that the complainant did not have any suspect or witness information. It appeared the suspect information was added after the second call. The investigator asked why he named a suspect if he had not seen the crime occur. The complainant said he and the suspect had been having problems during that time and he thought he would have broken his windshield. He did not have any proof of that.

The case screening process was explained to the complainant and how investigations are prioritized based on the seriousness of the crime. The complainant was told that the chances of this being followed up would be minimal and that there are limited resources to respond to these types of calls.

ANALYSIS AND CONCLUSION

The complainant did not have a direct complaint about any one person or officer, and it does not appear that any policy or rules were violated in the handling of this Crime Check report.