



LOVELAND POLICE DEPARTMENT PRESS RELEASE

TYPE OF INCIDENT: Identity Theft / Theft		CASE NUMBER: 11-4156	
LOCATION: Environmental Systems Products / Air Care Colorado, 7001 N. Franklin Ave, Loveland	DATE: June 14, 2011	TIME: 10:00 a.m.	
INVESTIGATING OFFICER: Det. Rob Pride		SUPERVISOR: Sgt. Brent Newbanks	
UPDATE: <p>On 071511, this case was presented to the Larimer County District Attorney's Office. The following charges were accepted for both suspects in the case: Identity Theft, Theft and Forgery. All of these charges are felony charges. The suspects in this case have been identified as Kristy Anne Mason, 27, of Fort Collins and Adam Daniel Axmaker, 21, of Loveland. Neither has been arrested at this time as their arrest warrants are processing and pending through the District Attorney's Office.</p> <p>Numerous victims have been identified and contacted, but it is believed there are still some victims who have not. Any citizens believing that they are victims in this case that have not yet been contacted by the Loveland Police Department are encouraged to call Det. Rob Pride at 970-962-2244.</p> <p>Air Care Colorado had been instrumental in this case with information sharing and updates. Air Care Colorado has also been handling reimbursements of the victims directly. Although there are still some payments possibly pending, all victims identified will be reimbursed through the company. The Loveland Police Department would like to thank Air Care Colorado for their continued and ongoing assistance with this case.</p> <p>The Loveland Police Department would also like to take this opportunity to remind all citizens to be vigilant in reviewing their accounts and bank statements for suspicious charges and to immediately report any charges they believe to be fraudulent to their local law enforcement authority.</p> <p>This investigation is ongoing at this time. Anyone with information pertaining to this case is encouraged to call Detective Rob Pride.</p> <p>*The criminal charges are only allegations and the defendant is presumed innocent until proven guilty at trial.</p>			
DETAILS: <p>On June 14, 2011, at approximately 10:00 am, Loveland Police Department officers responded to the vehicle emissions testing center known as Air Care Colorado, located at 7001 N. Franklin Avenue, Loveland, to a reported employee theft. Officers learned two employees had allegedly been stealing money from customers during business transactions.</p> <p>Air Care Colorado management provided information which indicated two employees had allegedly been double charging customers who paid with credit or debit cards for their emissions. The employees would then take cash in the same amount of the second charge from their drawer. Air Care Colorado was notified when some customers noticed the charges while reviewing their monthly bank statements. Air Care Colorado immediately launched an internal investigation which led to the subsequent identification of the</p>			

employees involved. Subsequently, two employees were arrested in connection with the thefts.

The suspects were released from Loveland Police Department pending the filing of Identity Theft, Theft and Forgery charges. The suspects were released pending charges as not all of the victims in the case have been fully identified or notified. For that reason, the names of the suspects are not being released at this time.

The Loveland Police Department believes there are several customers of Air Care Colorado who have not yet been identified. Citizens who have used credit or debit cards at this business are encouraged to review their bank statements for any extra or suspicious charges which might previously have gone unnoticed. It is believed these incidents possibly date back to March of 2011. If you believe you may be a victim of Identity Theft as it applies to this incident, please contact Detective Rob Pride at 970-962-2244.

The Loveland Police Department would like to thank Air Care Colorado for their timely notification to law enforcement and their ongoing cooperation with the investigation. The Loveland Police Department would also like to take this opportunity to remind all citizens to be vigilant in reviewing their accounts and bank statements for suspicious charges and to immediately report any charges they believe to be fraudulent to their local law enforcement authority.

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