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Postal Inspectors Offering Reward of up to \$150,000 for information on Robbery of USPS Letter Carrier in Rochester

Rochester, NY—On January 9, 2024, at approximately 4:54 p.m., a robbery of a United States Postal Service (USPS) letter carrier took place in front of 190 Brambury Drive in Rochester, NY. The U.S. Postal Inspection Service is asking the public for information about this incident, and is offering a reward of up to \$150,000 for information that leads to the arrest and conviction of the suspect(s). A reward poster with more information is attached.

Since January 2023, U.S. Postal Inspectors in Rochester have been investigating robberies of USPS letter carriers throughout Monroe County. The investigations are being led by the U.S. Postal Inspection Service, with the assistance of local law enforcement agencies, including the Rochester Police Department, New York State Police, Monroe County Sheriff's Office, Brighton Police Department, Greece Police Department, and the Irondequoit Police Department.

Several federal arrests have been made and postal inspectors are working closely with the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Western District of New York to seek prosecution of the suspects that have been identified. Since these investigations remain ongoing, we are unable to provide additional details at this time.

The U.S. Postal Inspection Service is the law enforcement, crime prevention, and security arm of the Postal Service. We work to ensure America's confidence in the U.S. Mail enforcing more than 200 federal laws, investigating crimes that may adversely affect postal customers, the U.S. Mail, and postal employees. Each year, Americans trust the U.S. Postal Service with billions of letters and packages, and the vast majority of those arrive safely at their intended destinations. But there are always thieves who will target the mail. There are extra steps you can take to ensure your mail arrives safely at its destination.

1. Deposit outgoing mail inside your local Post Office.
2. Never leave mail at your mailbox overnight.
3. Never send cash or coins through the mail. Ask your bank for "secure" checks that are more difficult to alter.

Also, please report any instances of vandalism or mail theft promptly to the U.S. Postal Inspection Service and/or the local police department. A report can be filed with the U.S. Postal Inspection Service online at www.uspis.gov/report, or by calling 1-877-876-2455. Individuals who are convicted of mail theft can face up to five years in prison, possession of postal keys up to 10 years in prison and those who rob letter carriers can face up to 25 years in prison.

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