



## NEWARK POLICE DEPARTMENT

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**SUBJECT: Blind Woman's Tandem Bicycle Stolen** 

A tandem bicycle owned by a 59 year-old blind woman was stolen from her home in the 300 block of Ashley Road, Newark. The tandem bike allowed the victim to peddle and enjoy a bicycle ride from the back seat, while her friend steered from the front seat.

The bike was last seen chained to a fence around 9:00 p.m. on Tuesday June 30, and was discovered missing at 8:00 a.m. this morning. It is possible that the fence was manipulated in a way to allow the removal of the bike without cutting the chain or lock. The bike is a Huffy Savannah tandem, red in color with black seats, and has a silver air pump attached. The locking chain may still be on the bike frame. The bike is valued at \$1,000.

Found near the location of the theft was an abandoned bicycle, presumably left by the thief. That bike is a Blue Huffy Stone Mountain mountain bike. The owner of that bicycle is not known, and the bike is being held by the Newark Police Department for safekeeping.

To report information about this incident, or to claim the abandoned bicycle, please call the Newark Police at 302-366-7111.

<u>Text 302NPD and your tip to TIP411 (847411).</u>

A photo of a similar bike (not the actual stolen bike) is attached.

The Newark Police Department affirms that all defendants are presumed innocent until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt.

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