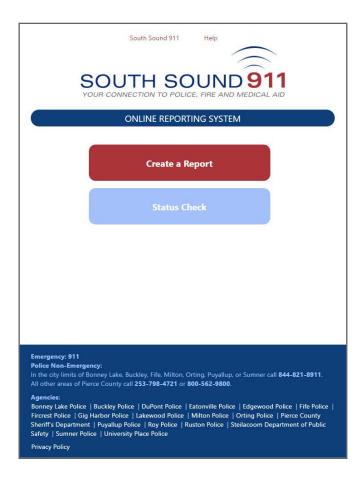
ONLINE REPORTING INSTRUCTIONS



If you have an emergency or are reporting a crime that is in-progress, call 911

Start Page

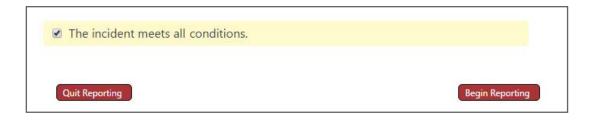
The Start Page is displayed only when a new report is being started; once you begin the report you will not see this again.

Create a Report - Click this button to begin a new report.

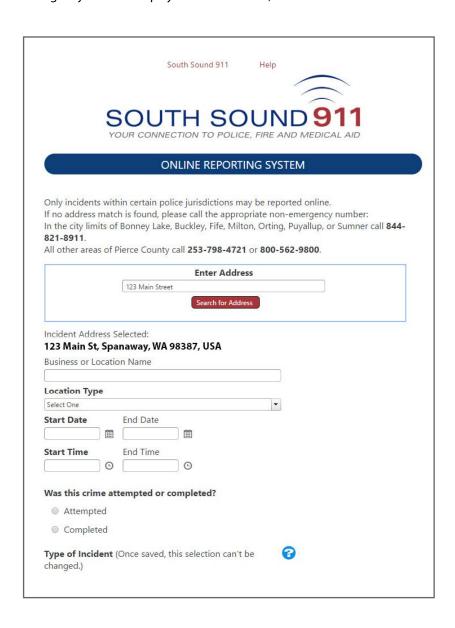
Status Check - Click this button if you previously submitted an online report and want to check its status. You will need your report's Tracking Number.

Create a Report

- 1. Click the "Create a Report" button.
- 2. Online reports may be submitted under certain conditions. Read through the conditions and if what you are reporting meets the acknowledgment box.



- 3. Click the "Begin Reporting" button to continue. **NOTE: You will have 30 minutes** to complete your report or to "Save Progress."
- 4. Type the address where the crime occurred and click the "Search for Address" button. If an address is found and is within the accepted jurisdictions, additional form fields will display. (If the address is not found, you will need to call the appropriate non-emergency number displayed on the screen.)



5. If applicable, type the business or **Business or Location Name** location name. **Location Type** 6. Select the Location Type from the Select One drop-down menu. Start Date **End Date** 7. Select the date and time the crime occurred, or the *date and* **Start Time End Time** *time range* the crime could have (-) (-) occurred (for instance, if the crime occurred while you were at work). Was this crime attempted or completed? 8. Select whether the crime was Attempted attempted or completed. Completed **9. Type of Incident:** Which crime Type of Incident (Once saved, this selection can't be was committed? Depending on changed.) which crime is selected, a pop-up window may appear, from which Theft: Property has been unlawfully taken, or attempted to be taken, off an automobile you may specify the offense. An or from a mail box, yard, residence, business, or other structure. (Excluding stolen vehicles, automatic validation process will license plates, or firearms) determine the official offense ☐ Vehicle Prowl: Property has been unlawfully taken, or attempted to be taken, from type based on your specification, inside a vehicle. (Excluding license plates or firearms) and the reported incident may be re-classified and corrected on the Vandalism: Defaced, damaged, or destroyed property of another individual or business. (Excluding vehicle accidents or hit-and-runs) report. Lost/Missing Property: Property that has been lost or misplaced, or when property is missing under circumstances that are unclear or uncertain. (Excluding vehicles or firearms) 10. Check any of the true statements. Check any of the following that apply to the incident: I am the victim. I have suspects to include. I have a witness to include. (bold fields are required) Return to Menu 11. Click the "Save Changes" button to

You have just completed the Location Information required for your report.

save your progress and continue.

The next screen is the Progress Page.

From here, you will need to provide Reporter Information (about the person completing the report), Victim Information, Suspect Information (if known), Witness Information (if applicable), Vehicle Information (if applicable), Property Information (details about the property stolen, vandalized, etc.), and other Incident Details.

Sections of the report which need to be completed are indicated by a question mark (?). The sequence in which the report is completed does not matter.

Click the corresponding button to begin that section.



Save Progress

After you have completed the Reporter Information section, you will be able to "Save Progress" and complete your report at a later time; however, you will only have 120 days in which to complete the report.

You will be provided with a URL/link for you to return to the report, but the URL will be valid only once. Once you re-open the report, you must either complete and submit the report or click "Save Progress." If you provide your email address in the Reporter Information section, the URL will be emailed to you; otherwise, please keep a copy of the URL you are provided on-screen.

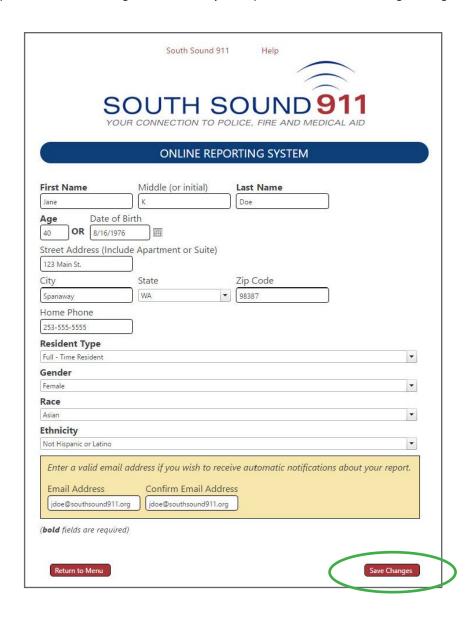
If during the reporting process you determine that you need more than the allotted 30 minutes to complete it, it is recommended that you "Save Progress" to avoid the timeout of your report. If your report is timed out, you will need to start over.

Reporter Information

The "Reporter" is the person completing the report. If the reporter is also the victim, all of the information for the Victim Information section will be auto-filled.

Bolded fields are required; however, any additional information you can provide will be useful in the processing of your report.

When the form is complete, click "Save Changes" to continue your report and return to the Progress Page.



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Suspect Information

Bolded fields are required; however, if you do not have specific answers (e.g., age or date of birth, height, etc.), please provide approximations. Any additional information you can provide will be useful in the processing of your report.

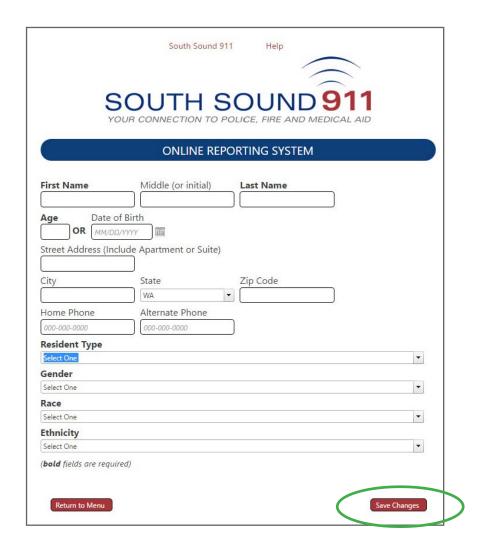
When the form is complete, click "Save Suspect." On the List of Suspects screen you will be able to "Add Suspect" information for additional suspects or click the "Return to Menu" to go to the Progress Page.



Witness Information

If you know someone who witnessed the crime, provide their contact and person information. Bolded fields are required; however, if you do not have specific answers (e.g., age or date of birth, etc.), please provide approximations.

When the form is complete, click "Save Changes" to continue your report and return to the Progress Page.



Property Information

This is the form is used to collect information about the personal property which was stolen, damaged, or lost. You may add information for as many items as necessary. Bolded fields are required, but any additional information you can provide will be useful. <u>Note</u>: Some of the drop-down menus are long. You can begin typing the first few letters to find or narrow the selection.

Property Category: How would the item be classified or categorized? The category you choose will determine the form fields

you will complete. (For example, "Jewelry/Precious Metals" will call up a different form; see the sample form

on the next page.) If a specific Category cannot be found, please use the closest match.

Property Item: What is the item?

Item Description: Type any additional identifying information which may be applicable, such as the model, color(s), size,

notable condition (scratches, marks, dents), etc. [Field not required.]

Quantity: How many are there? (If serialized or different models, please enter each item separately.)

Replacement Cost: What is the total cost for you to have the item replaced?

Item Manufacturer: What is the item's brand? If it is not listed, one can be typed in; if there is no brand leave blank.

Serial #: What is the item's unique serial number? If none or unknown, leave blank.

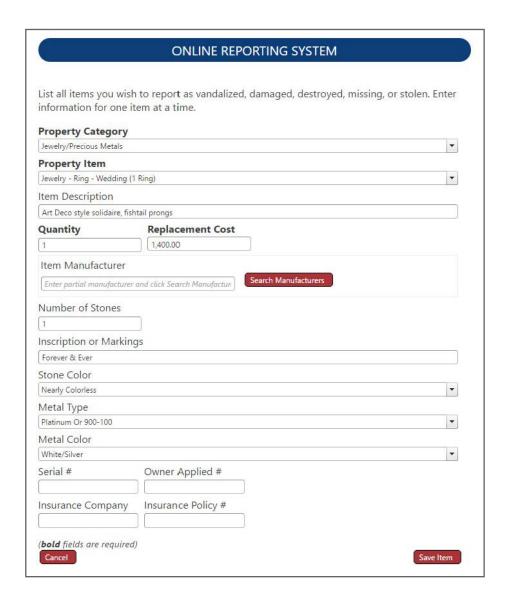
Owner Applied #: What is the identifying mark, number, initials or name you applied to the item — written, engraved, etc. —

to identify it as yours? If none, leave blank.

Insurance fields: If available, please provide the name of the company insuring the item, and the policy number. If none or

unknown, leave blank.





After items have been entered, the Property Item List is Property Item List - 2 Item(s) displayed. Items can be reviewed, edited or deleted from Tools - Wheelbarrow edit delete Jewelry - Ring - Wedding (1 Ring) this page. edit delete Manufacturer: Description: Art Deco style solidaire, fishtail prongs Use the blue arrow to collapse or expand an entry. Click Not Supplied Insurance Company: Policy Number: Not Supplied "Return to Menu" to go to the Progress Page. Quantity: \$1,400.00 Replacement Cost: Jewelry Make: Platinum Or 900-100 Metal Type: Metal Color: White/Silver Number of Stones:

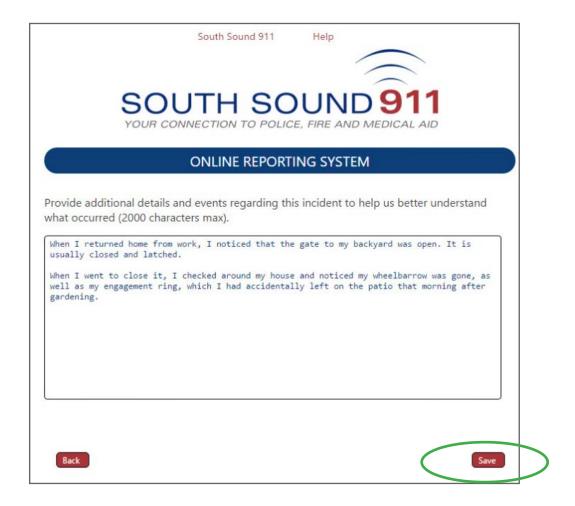
Stone Color:

Nearly Colorless

Incident Information

Please write, in your own words, what happened, what you saw, and any other details you can provide related to the incident. Completion of this form is required.

When complete, click "Save" to continue.



Review and Submit

When you have completed the required sections, click the Review and Submit button on the Progress Page.

You will be provided with a Summary Report from which to review all completed sections. To edit a section, click the section's "edit" link.

At the bottom of the Summary Report is a Truth and Accuracy statement. In order to submit your report you must acknowledge the False Insurance Claims and Truth and Accuracy Statements. Check the "I acknowledge" box and indicate your desire for non-disclosure. While certain information may be exempt from disclosure, police and sheriff reports are public record.

✓ I have read and acknowledge the above statements.
Indicate your desire for non-disclosure, as defined in the Public Records Act, RCW 42.56.240(2)
✓ Yes
No

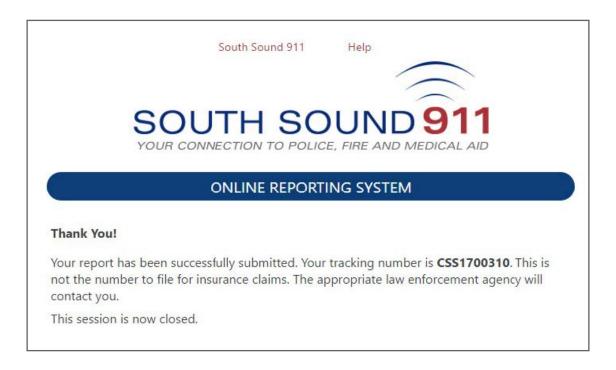
Submit Your Report

Your online report is NOT the official police report; however, you may choose to print a copy or save a PDF copy for your records.

To obtain an **official copy** of your final police report, you must request one from South Sound 911 after your online report has been approved and assigned an Incident Number.

When you are finished with your online report, click the "Submit Report" button.

If your report is successfully submitted, you will be provided with a Tracking Number. This is <u>not</u> the number to file for insurance claims; it is a temporary number assigned to your online report until it is approved by the appropriate law enforcement agency. You will need the Tracking Number to check the status of your report.



Obtain a Copy of Your Official Report

Once your online report has been approved and assigned an Incident Number, you may request a copy of the report via South Sound 911's online Public Records Request portal: http://www.southsound911.org/157/Public-Records-Requests.

If you do not already have an account, you will need to create one to submit your request using the Public Records Portal. Using the portal offers the convenience of receiving records electronically at no cost.

If you would instead to prefer to mail your public records request, please send your request to:

South Sound 911 ATTN: Records Custodian 955 Tacoma Ave. S., Suite 202 Tacoma, WA 98402