License Plate Reader Hits On Stolen Motor Vehicle

On 12/28/11 at approximately 2:30am Officer David Foley was patrolling Hyannis in Barnstable Police Cruiser E-227. Officer Foley was checking the east end of Main St. Hyannis for a suspect vehicle in a robbery that had occurred earlier in the night. As Officer Foley was checking the parking lot of 156 Main St., he received an alarm from the Automated License Plate Reader installed in his cruiser. The alarm indicated that it had seen a stolen motor vehicle. Officer Foley was immediately able to view the picture of the vehicle and the license plate that the reader had seen. It was confirmed that the vehicle was reported stolen on 12/24/11 to this department. The vehicle owner was advised that his vehicle had been located and it was towed to the Barnstable Police Headquarters for processing.

The license plate reader that E-227 is equipped with is constantly running plates of vehicles it passes to check and see if the registration is valid, if the vehicle or owner is wanted, or if; like in this case, the vehicle is stolen.

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