

TIPS/ HOTLINES - RESOURCES

SAFELINE

To report furnishing/selling/underage drinking, request assistance to organize an alcohol free activity: (301) 670-7266 (SAFELINE).

Text - a - Tip Program

User types "MCPD" plus their tip on their cell phone or PDA and text the word **MCPD** to the number **274637 (CRIMES)**.

1. Create a new text message or send text or SMS text.
2. When composing your message:
Enter the number **274637 (CRIMES)** in the "to" line.
3. In the message body, type the word **MCPD** and then your crime tip information (MCPD is **NOT** case sensitive).
4. Press send to send the message.
5. You will receive a response from Crime Stoppers shortly.

For your safety you should always delete all text messages to and from 274637 (CRIMES) from your in and out boxes.

The text message is encrypted and an alias is generated, masking the identity of the sender from the police. The police have no way of determining the users identity. An anonymous two - way dialogue is possible with investigators.

Web - Tip - Program

User's can enter an anonymous web tips at www.montgomerycountymd.gov/police OR www.tipsubmit.com and click on the web tab link. Web forms are in English, Spanish and French. Fill in as much information as possible on the web page. You can also attach photos to the web tip. An anonymous two - way dialogue is possible with investigators.

Phone - Tip - Program

Users can call (240) 773 - TIPS (8477) or (866) 411 - TIPS (8477) 24 hours a day 7 days a week. A caller will take your crime tip information anonymously. Calls can be taken in English, Spanish and French.

PRIVACY

No mobile phone information is collected by the Montgomery County Police Department as part of this program. Your Text - a - Tip is completely anonymous to the Montgomery County Police Department and is only identifiable via a four digit tip code that will be provided to you. Any information you submit is directed to the MCPD's crime tip program. Your tip will be disseminated to the appropriate MCPD investigative officers.