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### **Leads Online Reportit**

COPPERAS COVE, TEXAS – The Copperas Cove Police Department wants to help citizens keep track of important information that will help track down stolen property faster.

The Copperas Cove Police Department encourages all residents to use a free online system that will help keep track of valuable and invaluable personal property. The Reportit system is an online service allowing people to record serial numbers and upload images for phones, electronics and other valuables. Should those items ever be stolen, detectives say having the information will go a long way in accurately and quickly identifying your property.

The Reportit service is a part of LeadsOnline, the online system that works with police across the country to track and recover stolen property. The Copperas Cove Police Department uses LeadsOnline to help track and recover everything from jewelry to sporting equipment to electronics, computers, cameras and other items such as designer clothing, collectibles, and other items with invaluable personal worth. The system allows detectives to search for the items using a variety of parameters, including item descriptions and serial numbers. When an item is sold to a pawn or secondhand shop, the product information is entered in the LeadsOnline database and is immediately viewable by participating law enforcement agencies across the country.

The Copperas Cove Police Department has used LeadsOnline since 2007 and has reported many successes using the system. Using LeadsOnline, police have recovered thousands of dollars in stolen property for Copperas Cove residents. With information provided by LeadsOnline, police track down thieves, develop leads in cases and make arrests.

Citizens can store an unlimited number of serial numbers, item descriptions, pictures, and scans of receipts so items may be more easily identified in the event of theft. This record may come in handy when filing claims with insurance providers in the event of a loss. Citizens wanting to participate in Reportit can register for the free service at [reportit.leadsonline.com](http://reportit.leadsonline.com) and begin building their personal property inventory list. A link to the site is also available via the Copperas Cove Police Department webpage on the City of Copperas Cove website at [www.ci.copperas-cove.tx.us](http://www.ci.copperas-cove.tx.us)