



## Safe Exchange Zone

The Ocean Township Police Department has initiated a new community policing program called “Safe Exchange Zone.” The “Safe Exchange Zone” program is intended to address the safety concerns brought about with on-line purchases from websites such as Craigslist, eBay, Facebook groups, and classified ads, etc. and to provide a safe location for families with visitation rights to make the custodial exchange.

The Ocean Township Police Department has no known transactions that have gone awry, however it is our commitment to always put community safety first. While we are implementing the “Safe Exchange Zone” to provide a safe area for buyers and sellers to meet, it is important to remember that people you meet on-line are strangers and can pose dangers. Not every buyer or seller you meet on-line is someone who is true with their intent.

The “Safe Exchange Zone” is located in the front visitor parking lot of the Ocean Township Police Department located at 50 Railroad Avenue in Waretown, New Jersey. Two designated parking spaces have been clearly marked for the program where buyers, sellers and parents can meet and make the exchange. The marked area is under 24 hour video surveillance which is recorded by a state of the art security cameras.

The Ocean Township Police Department will not be used to make illegal transactions of narcotics, dangerous or deadly weapons or any other dangerous materials. In addition, department employees will not be used to witness or be a part of these transactions. We are just providing a safe location to conduct your transactions.

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