



Clery Crime Alert

Motor Vehicle/E-Bike Theft

Columbia University Public Safety was recently informed of an electric bicycle theft from the bike rack on Fort Washington Avenue, located between West 168th Street and the Black Building loading dock entrance. The incident occurred on Tuesday, June 30, 2026, at approximately 5:16 AM.

A similar incident occurred at the same location on Tuesday, June 23, 2026, at approximately 7:14 PM. The two incidents appear to have been committed by different suspects, both of whom forcibly removed secured electric bicycles from the bike rack.

Description of Suspect(s):

The individual captured on CCTV is the suspect associated with the June 30 incident: The suspect is described as a male-presenting individual with a dark complexion, wearing a white T-shirt, blue jeans, black sneakers, and a black baseball cap.

The individual captured on CCTV is the suspect associated with the June 23 incident: The suspect is described as a male-presenting individual with a dark complexion, wearing a light blue long-sleeve sweatshirt, dark pants, tan and red sneakers, and a dark bucket hat. The individual is also carrying a dark backpack and a large black duffel bag.

No further information is available at this time.

If you have any additional information about these incidents, please contact Investigator Torres at 212-854-0377 and reference report numbers 26-002242 or 26-002307.

Harm Reduction Strategies:

- No one is ever responsible for a crime committed against them. The responsibility lies entirely with the perpetrator. If something happens, we encourage you to report it. Reporting helps protect others and ensures you can access support and services. Report the incident to the Department of Public Safety at
 - Morningside: 212-854-5555
 - Manhattanville: 212-853-3333
 - Medical Center: 212-305-7979
- Consider registering your bicycles and other valuable property with Public Safety's Operation ID program.
- When possible, avoid parking your bicycle or scooter at a non-designated location. Commuter Bicycle Parking enclosures can be found [here](#). The Bicycle Parking map can be found [here](#).
- Consider using a heavy-duty lock and/or chain to secure your bicycle or scooter. Tips on locking your bike can be found [here](#).

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