

How do I retrieve my property that was held or seized as evidence?

1. You can call the case Officer (Detective) assigned to inquire if your property can be returned and if so, when.
2. You can call the property room officer.
3. As your case is being processed through the courts you can ask the court to release your items. *If granted, you will have to provide court documentation that can be verified before anything is actually released.*
4. In some cases you may have to file a Replevin Motion with the court asking a Judge to authorize the release of your items, *If granted, you will have to provide court documentation that can be verified before anything is actually released.*

If you were a victim of a crime where your property was stolen and you were notified by a Detective that your property has been recovered, you can ask that Detective if your property is still needed for the case or if you may have it returned to you.

What if my bicycle was stolen? Have the Police found it? How do I recover it?

You will need:

- The date you reported it missing
- The make of the bicycle (i.e. Huffy, Schwinn, etc.)
- The model of the bicycle
- The color(s) of the bicycle and/or distinctive markings
- The serial number always helps

What if I find property I believe someone has lost?

If you cannot find the owner you can turn the item(s) into the Parma Heights Police Station. An officer will be assigned to assist you and to attempt to find the rightful owner.

Items you turn in where no owner is identified can be released to the finder after 30 days otherwise these items will be disposed of after 90 days.

What do I do when I know my property can be released?

Contact the property room Officer at the Parma Heights Police Station during normal business hours 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM, at 440-481-3094 so that you can make an appointment with them to retrieve your property.

Upon release you will have to come to the Parma Heights Police Station in person, provide identification, and sign paperwork that you are taking ownership of returned items.

The Parma Heights Police Department roughly takes in 1200 to 1600 pieces of property a year so it is always helpful to know:

The date your property was seized
Or be able to provide a police report or incident number.