

New Bedford man charged with breaking into three cars in Dartmouth

On Monday, May 4, 2020, Dartmouth Police responded to St. John Street, after receiving a call from a local resident stating that he had just observed a male break into his vehicles.

Upon arrival in the area, Office Manuel Demelo located a male matching the description of the suspect.

While questioning the male, it was learned that another vehicle in the area had also been broken into.

As a result of the investigation which followed, Officer Demelo arrested Michael Carreiro, 38, of South Sixth Street, New Bedford.

Carreiro was subsequently charged with three counts of B&E into a motor vehicle, three counts of larceny under \$250, and one count of receiving stolen property under \$1,200.

According to Chief Brian P. Levesque, "Car breaks have been a continuous and ongoing problem for us, and this arrest is the perfect example as to why we are repetitively encouraging citizens to immediately call us when they see someone suspicious in the area."

In association with their "If you like it, lock it" campaign, Dartmouth Police recently released a video featuring tips on how to avoid being a victim of a car break.