

## Red Deer/Lacombe RCW Message: Stolen Identification documents

*Posted May 23, 2017*

Sylvan Lake RCMP conducted a traffic stop on May 18, 2017 on a suspicious vehicle in the town of Sylvan Lake. Upon contact the RCMP observed a weapon in plain view inside the vehicle. A further investigation led to the discovery of various pin pads, and a large quantity of stolen identity documents including and not limited to drivers' licenses, insurance cards, credit cards, birth certificates, firearms licences, and cheques.

An adult male and female, both of no fixed address were taken into custody and will be facing numerous charges.

Sylvan Lake RCMP are actively trying to return the stolen property and Identity documents to their respective owners.

Caution, please lock up unattended vehicles and take precautions with valuables in your homes. Some people carry their insurance with them at all times, not leaving it in the vehicle, as thieves also break into our vehicles regardless.

Once thieves have this information, they have the ability to fraudulently apply for loans and credit cards, in addition to making unauthorized purchases under your identify. Stolen ID is also a hot item on the "dark internet" and can result in the thief getting thousands if not millions of dollars for stolen ID documents.

We remind you to also, if you suspect or have been a victim of ID theft, to report it to the RCMP as well as the Anti Fraud Centre (photo right) or call 1-888-495-8501 to report it.



Should anyone have information regarding this incident, please contact the Sylvan Lake RCMP at 403-858-7200 or call your local RCMP detachment. You can also contact Crime Stoppers and report it at 1 800 222 8477 or by internet at [www.tipsubmit.com](http://www.tipsubmit.com).