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Bomb Threat At Home Depot Another Hoax, Police Say

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ST. CROIX -- Home Depot on St. Croix received another bomb threat on Monday, but like the other times that the facility had to evacuate employees in search of a bomb, the threat -- Home Depot St. Croix's third in under two years -- turned out to be another hoax, according to the V.I.P.D.

The bomb threat was reported at 12:19 p.m., with officers clearing the shopping facility as safe at about 1:48 p.m., according to Glen Dratte, the V.I.P.D.'s public information officer. At least one concerned resident reached out to The Consortium about the incident, prompting the publication to seek out more details from the V.I.P.D.

Approximately [one year ago](#), Home Depot received a bomb threat that forced the store's management to evacuate employees and shoppers. [On September 11 2015](#), a similar threat was made, with all turning out to be hoaxes.

The threats to the store have traditionally been made through anonymous phone calls, according to records. Each time a threat is made, the facility's management must take the threat seriously by contacting the local authorities, who in turn follow normal procedures of evacuating the area and conducting a complete search of the facility.

Feature Image: Scenes from the May 2016 Home Depot Bomb Threat. (Credit: VIC)

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