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Alert: Counterfeit \$20 Bills Making The Rounds In St. Thomas; \$460 Found In Plaza At Tutu Mall

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ST. THOMAS -- The V.I.P.D. is urging residents to be on the lookout for counterfeit bills circulating in St. Thomas.

According V.I.P.D. Media Specialist Sakeeda Freeman, on Thursday, members of the force's Investigation Bureau travelled to Plaza Extra at the Tutu Park Mall regarding a report of counterfeit bills. Contact was made with an on-duty shift supervisor, who stated that they discovered several counterfeit bills amounting to approximately \$460.

Ms. Freeman said the matter has been forwarded to the force's Economic Crime Unit for a follow up investigation. Law enforcement officials are urging residents to look carefully

at the cash they're spending, and to report any counterfeit bill discovered.

The counterfeit bills were all \$20s, with the bottom portion of the bills appearing darker than normal, including the body and clothing of the president. The security thread was not visible and the bill felt thicker than a normal bill, according to a description provided by police.

The V.I.P.D. is asking anyone with information about the origin of the counterfeit bills to contact the force's Economic Crime Unit at (340)774-3942. You can also contact Crime Stoppers USVI with your anonymous tip [here](#).