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Police Investigate Graffiti Incident

Bowie Police are investigating an incident involving a swastika drawn with pink lipstick on a vehicle parked on a city street. The owner of the vehicle reported the incident on Saturday, October 28, 2017.

The incident remains under investigation. The intent of the person writing on the vehicle is not known at this time, but whether it was done as a prank or as a deliberate act of hate, the result is the same. A swastika always symbolizes hate. To deface anyone's property with this symbol is not only a crime; it is also hurtful to the owner and offensive to our community.

The City of Bowie takes these types of crimes very seriously and denounces this act of vandalism. Anyone who may have information about this incident is encouraged to contact the Bowie Police Department at 240-544-5700 or call the Department's Anonymous Tip Line at 240-544-5770.

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