

NIBRS Coding Scenarios

Value of Property - Recovered

Issue: An agency is receiving an error when encoding the Property Segment of a Motor Vehicle Theft. A 1969 Volkswagen Beetle was stolen on July 19, 2010 with a value of \$500. The classic car had seen its better day as the body was patched with rust, one headlight was missing, all four tires were flat, windshield broken, the upholstery was ripped, etc. Recently, the car was called in by law enforcement during a suspected DUI stop where it was discovered that it was stolen. The Beetle had been totally refurbished to its original condition and now valued at \$20,000. The agency encoded \$20,000 for the recovery value and was receiving an error.

Coding: The correct coding for this incident in the Value of Property, Recovered would be \$500; the same amount that was reported in the Value of Property, Stolen. For reporting purposes, recovered property value cannot be greater than the value when stolen.

Reference: *UCR Handbook: NIBRS Edition (brown cover)*, p.44 and *NIBRS Volume 4: Error Message Manual (white cover)*, p.86, Error Code 084.

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NIBRS Class
Sept 28 - 29, 2011

There must be a minimum of 25 participants enrolled by August 31, 2011 in order to conduct this training.

Note that the preceding gives general examples. It is not meant to be all inclusive. Coding is based on individual case circumstances. Please direct NIBRS questions to:

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