



## OFFICIAL MEDIA RELEASE

### KENT COUNTY SHERIFF DEPARTMENT



Date: May 21, 2016

Complaint Number: 16-124150

Type of Incident: Child Neglect

Location: Wal-Mart, 3999 Alpine Avenue N.W., Alpine Township

Reporting Officer: Deputy Anthony Ysquierdo

Supervisor Approval: Sergeant Jim Loughrin

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#### **UPDATE – MAY 26, 2016**

On May 25, 2016, the Kent County Prosecutor's Office charged Karol Fitzgerald, 71 years old of Stanton, with one count of Leaving a Child in an Unattended Vehicle (93 days misdemeanor).

Karol was arrested on May 26, 2016 and released on a \$500 cash surety bond.

#### **ORIGINAL – MAY 21, 2016**

On Saturday May 21st 2016 at 6:18PM Deputy Anthony Ysquierdo was dispatched to a child left in a vehicle at 3999 Alpine Avenue N.W. Alpine Township. When Deputy Ysquierdo arrived on scene he located a 2 year old female in the back of a running car. He was unable to awake the child and it appeared she had a red face and was very sweaty. Ysquierdo then forced entry into the car, the child then began to wake up. The child was then transported to Helen DeVos Children's Hospital with signs of heat exhaustion; she is expected to make a full recovery. The child's grandmother was found shopping inside Walmart. A referral was made to Children's Protective Services. Criminal charges have been requested.