



## SAFEGUARDING YOUR HOME

Put indoor and outdoor lights on timers

Install outdoor motion sensor lighting

Be sure to lock all windows and doors when you leave, even if it's only for a few minutes

Leave radio or TV on to appear that you are home

Trim back shrubs and trees from windows

When planning to be away notify friends or family and ask them to collect mail and newspapers

Keep valuables secure and out of plain view

Keep track of receipts and documents along with any identifying markings and serial numbers

Install a house alarm



## PROTECT YOUR VEHICLE & YOURSELF

NEVER leave your vehicle running or keys in the ignition when you are away from it

Place your purchases and other valuables in your trunk, out of plain view

GPS units, cell phones and mounting hardware need to be removed when unattended

Having a removable faceplate on a car stereo will provide added security

Installing a car alarm and visual deterrents such as a steering wheel locking device is helpful

Carry your registration and insurance papers with you

Always park in a busy or well-lit parking area

Do not approach your vehicle alone if other suspicious vehicles or persons are in the area



## PREVENT PURSE SNATCHING

Carry your license, credit cards and cash in your pocket

If you must use a purse, consider using a small bag that snaps around your waist or can be worn over the shoulder under your coat

Be aware of your surroundings and walk only in well-lit areas

Shop with a friend

When entering or exiting your vehicle, visually check for suspicious people

If you become a victim do not struggle with your attacker

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