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NEIGHBORHOOD CRIME PREVENTION TIPS

Battle Creek Police
Department



- Lock your vehicle. Many vehicle break-ins involve unlocked vehicles.
- Don't leave valuable items inside your vehicle.
- Trim back any plants that hide your home's doors or windows.
- Illuminate your yards and entranceways. Consider using motion-detection lighting.
- Don't open your door to someone you don't know.
- Keep your doors locked, whether you are home or away.
- Keep your garage door closed and locked, even when you're at home.
- Be alert to suspicious people or vehicles in your area. Half of all home burglaries occur during the day. If anything seems out of place, contact police.
- Observe repair, construction, and service workers. If their behavior or location seem out of the ordinary, contact police.
- Consider investing in a home alarm system.
- Get to know your immediate neighbors. Be familiar with the cars they drive, and when they have out-of-town guests, or when they have hired work done. This can be a good way to deter crime.

Let's work together to keep our neighborhoods safe! Call 911 if you see something out of the ordinary.