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How to Protect Yourself

and Your Property:
Too often we are easy targets for these burglars. We have to adopt new methods for preventing ourselves from becoming victims.
We must "Harden Our Target."

- Residential Burglaries are up in Pacific Division.
- Don’t be the next victim. Protect your home and family.
- Here are some easy suggestions that can help you harden your target and protect your home:

  - Install a home security system/cameras
  - Lock your windows and doors
  - Join or start a Neighborhood Watch
  - Go to LAPDONLINE.ORG and join Nixle
  - Report suspicious activity immediately

If you have any questions or concerns please call Pacific Burglary Detectives at 310-482-6313.
What this means is, we must make it more difficult for the thieves and burglars to enter our property and take our belongings.
Don't Be a Victim of An Auto – Related Property Crime

BTFV (Burglary from motor vehicle) is a crime where a vehicle is broken into and something of value is taken from the vehicle, the vehicle is not normally taken. We are finding that most BTFVs occur when items of value are left in plain sight in parked vehicles. This is just an open invitation to criminals to smash your window and take whatever is left in plain sight. Even if the item left Visible is not Valuable, the bad guys do not know this, so they will smash your window and take it.

BTFV Crime Prevention Tips

• Always lock your vehicle and close your windows
• Use a steering column locking device
• Do not leave your laptop in your vehicle
• Always use your vehicle’s alarm system
• If possible, park your vehicle in a garage
• Park your vehicle as close to street light as possible
• Do not leave garage remotes in your vehicle
• If you see any suspicious activity near any vehicle, call the police
• Check your vehicle periodically & check on your neighbor’s vehicles
• iPods and iPod Docking Stations are prime targets

For more crime prevention information or to get involved in Neighborhood Watch, contact your local Los Angeles Police Station or visit our Web Site at www.LAPDOnline.ORG
• **LOCK IT:** Don’t leave your doors or windows unlocked. Ever. Even if you are home, especially when you are asleep, always keep your property secured. We have hot prowl burglars several times a week. What this is, is a burglar who enters your home with the intent to steal, and removes your property. All while you are home. This is terrifying. Waking during the burglary could cause the crime to escalate to a much more serious crime, such as home invasion robbery.
• **HIDE IT.**

• Hide your valuables. Don’t have a jewelry box on your dresser with family heirlooms and valuable irreplaceable jewelry.

• Don’t have your firearms in a drawer, or a transportable gun case.

• Don’t keep you coin collection out on display or in a place that is not secured.
• **Keep it:**

• By following the above tips, you’ll be able to keep your property. Even if the criminals somehow foil your security devices, your valuables will be either well hidden or secured.
• Other tips:
Document serial numbers of your computers, bicycles, other electronics and firearms.

Keep the information in a file that can be easily referenced in case the items are taken and you need to report it.

When we have the serial number, we can return the property to you when we recover it. Or if we write a search warrant, we will be able to identify the property as yours once we see it.
• Use the available tracking systems that are offered for your computers, Ipads and iPhones.

• I Cloud
• Lo Jack
• Find My Phone

• Check with your Cell Phone Provider
Locate Your Lost or Stolen Smartphone or Computer

In the age of technology, Smartphones and computers are being stolen more than ever. Many times these Smartphones are taken by force and/or fear, raising the crime of theft to the level of a robbery, a felony crime. Sometimes, these Smartphones are taken during burglaries from cars or homes. Apprehending these suspects and returning these phones to their rightful owners is difficult. The instructions in this poster can help you get your phone back if it is ever lost or stolen.

Find My iPhone
Find My iMac

Locate My Droid

Find My Phone
Where's My Phone Pro

Download and install the application Locate My Droid from the Android Market for free. Following the directions on the screen, the owner must activate the application. You can then track your phone via GPS, using email or SMS from any other phone or computer.

iPhone
Android
Blackberry

For more information on how to protect yourself from theft and other crimes, go to lapdonline.org/crime_prevention
• Report any incidents right away. Do not touch anything once you realize you have been victimized. We often find fingerprints and even DNA at scenes.
Ways to secure your home would be:

- An alarm
- Security camera
- A dog
- Great locks
- Leave lights on at night.
- Leave the TV on.
- Make someone believe you are home.
• One of the most common forms of burglary is our Knock-Knock burglar. They knock on your door, and when you don’t answer, they enter and take your property. They often ransack the residence in the process. They work in crews. They are very proud of the fact that they burglarize residences in this manner. They have even created a music video bragging about the burglaries, or what they refer to as “flocking.”
• By continuing to spread the word, and by locking your doors and windows, and taking measures to secure your property and valuables, you are HARDENING YOUR TARGET.
The best way to reduce any crime is to prevent it from happening in the first place. Together we can work on this. Thank you.

For more information on how to protect yourself from theft and other crimes, go to: lapdonline.org/crime_prevention