

VEHICLE SAFETY

1. Park your vehicle in the garage. If you park in the driveway, make sure it is well lit. Always lock your car and don't leave valuables in it.
2. Don't leave your garage door open and unattended. Close and lock your garage door—no matter how short a time you may be "stepping away."
3. Disable remote opening of garage door when leaving town for more than 24 hours.
4. Watch these videos about preventing garage break-ins:
<http://youtu.be/CMz1tXBVT1s> (breaking into a garage)
<http://youtu.be/H6kUPvHpozA> (prevention)
5. If you are driving alone and unsure that the police car behind you is legitimate, call 911 and confirm before pulling over.
6. To avoid having your catalytic converters stolen, secure with a bolted cage or have your license plate number etched on each converter.
7. Be aware! Look around you. Look into your car on the passenger side floor and in the back seat.
8. If you are parked next to a big van, face your car away from the passenger door. Most serial killers attack their victims by pulling them into their vans while the women are attempting to get into their cars.
9. Look at the car parked on the driver's side of your vehicle and the passenger inside. If a male is sitting alone in the seat nearest your car, you may want to walk back into the mall or work and get a guard/policeman to walk you back out.
10. Once you have entered your car in a public area, do not linger. Move your car to another location to make those notes, phone calls, etc.

BE ALERT! BE INFORMED! BE INVOLVED!

REFERRAL NUMBERS:

For Emergencies call 911!	
Non-emergency	916-808-5471
Volunteer Program	916-808-0483
All City Departments	3-1-1
All Social Services	2-1-1
Crime Prevention Service	
North Area	916-808-6401
South Area	916-808-6001
Central Area	916-808-4500
Neighborhood Watch	
neighborhoodwatch@pd.cityofsacramento.org	
	916-808-0813
Crime Alert	1-800-AACRIME or 443-HELP
Sacramento City Council	916-808-5407
Traffic Complaint	916-808-6128
Narcotic Tip Line	916-808-5796

CRIME PREVENTION TIPS



BE THE EYES AND EARS OF THE POLICE!

NON-EMERGENCY 808-5471

EMERGENCY 911

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CRIME PREVENTION TECHNIQUES

Three factors must be present for crime to occur: desire, ability, and opportunity. While an individual's desire and ability to commit a crime cannot be affected, the opportunity for the crime to occur can be significantly reduced by alert citizens who follow simple crime prevention rules. By following some basic crime prevention techniques, you can make your home the hardest house on the block to enter and your person appear too challenging to approach. We all have to take responsibility to at least help in our own protection. It is up to you!

SAFETY AT HOME - INSIDE

Use security or deadbolt locks on your doors.

Install a solid core door or a security screen door at the pedestrian entryway going into the garage from the yard and strike plates that are strong enough to withstand excessive force.

Always lock your doors and windows (including bathroom windows) before leaving. Don't hide keys outside.

If someone knocks at your door, *without opening the door*, let them know that someone is home and that you are not alone. Teach the kids!

If you decide to invite someone unknown in, always ask for identification before admitting.

Lock and pin your sliding glass doors and windows.

Leave your TV, radio or a taped recording of people talking on when you're gone.

Vary your schedule and patterns of travel so that you are not so predictable.

Get alarm systems installed in your home and vehicle. Make sure that you program your own code.

Put alarm signs in windows whether or not you have an alarm.

Turn lights on in the house so it looks like someone is home, and you won't walk into a dark house. Consider the use of timers when on vacation.

Get to know your neighbors and notify them when you expect to be gone from your home.

SAFETY AT HOME - OUTSIDE

Trim shrubbery in the front yard to prevent places to hide. Keep your front door visible from the street.

Get a dog or put "Beware of Dog" signs up whether or not you have a dog.

Put a padlock on your utility box. Criminals often shut the power off.

Put exterior motion sensitive lighting in the front, side door into the garage, and rear entrance.

If you have a gate to the backyard, use a padlock to secure it.

If you live in an apartment, immediately notify management of any lighting problems.

AWAY FROM HOME

Don't carry a purse, but if you must, consider the following:

- Carry keys, wallet, or valuables in a pocket.
- Do not carry anything that you can't afford to lose.
- Keep a record of your credit card numbers.
- If attacked, give up your purse immediately.

- Do not walk with your cell phone in your hand.
- Carry a shrill whistle or shrieking device.
- Vary your routes and schedule as much as possible.
- Be aware! Look around you. Look into your car at the passenger side floor and in the back seat.
- If you are parked next to a big van, face your car away from the passenger door.
- ALWAYS take the elevator instead of the stairs and stand next to the controls.

To learn what to do in an Active Shooter Incident:

- Run Hide Fight Video – <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1ESNae7OoyM>
- IT IS ALWAYS BETTER TO BE SAFE THAN SORRY.

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AND AN EXCELLENT REPORTER!**

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