



NEWS RELEASE

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- Burglary & Trespasses Prevention Tips -

In the last few days the Cherry Hills Village Police Department has seen an increase in the number of vehicle trespasses in the city.

If you see any suspicious activity or persons walking in your neighborhood, please call the non-emergency number at 303-795-4711. Call 911 if you see a burglary or criminal trespass in progress.

Some tips to prevent burglaries are:

- Keep your garage door locked, especially ensure the side doors and/or rear entry doors are locked.
- Lock all outside doors and windows before you leave for vacation.
- Never leave your keys under doormats, in flower pots, mailboxes or any other “secret” hiding places. Burglars know where to look for hidden keys.
- An alarm system is excellent for home security. If you own an alarm system, make sure you activate your alarm before you leave for vacation. Also, provide the alarm company with an emergency contact; especially if you are going out of the country for your vacation.
- If you are away for an extended period of time, arrange for someone to mow your lawn in the summer and shovel your driveway in the winter so it appears that someone is at home.
- During your vacation, do not have daily deliveries (such as mail, newspapers or flyers, and packages) pile up while you are away. Have the Post Office hold your mail or arrange for someone to empty your mailbox and pick up your newspapers.
- If you are having any service performed while you are gone (such as housekeeping or landscaping), make sure they secure your residence when they are finished.
- Have a responsible person check on your home frequently during your vacation.

Some tips to prevent vehicle trespasses are:

- Park your car in a well-lit area.
- Roll all your windows up all the way and lock all the doors.
- At home, park your car in the garage whenever possible and lock/close the garage door.
- Remove your purse and other valuables from your car.

- Do not leave any valuables in plain sight. If you have to leave valuables in the vehicle, place them in the trunk of the care while still at home – before you arrive at your destination.
- Do **NOT** hide valuables under the seat or the glove box of your vehicle – thieves know about these common hiding places.

Be a good neighbor! If you notice something suspicious in your neighborhood, please report it immediately!

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