

Ten Tips For Avoiding Crime



1. Be Alert! Keep your head up. Be aware of your surrounds. Do not walk and uses your cell phone!
2. Vary your routines and routes- Do not be predictable.
3. Lock it! Home, car, office- Locks are your first line of defense. They are **Physical Security**.
4. Make your home a tough, uninviting target: Motion activated flood lights, alarm, dead bolts, well-maintained yard.
5. Foil car-jackers: Keep windows up/doors locked, check mirrors and blind spots when stopped. Keep a safe(R) distance behind the car ahead of you. Sound your horn and flash your lights if you think you are being approached by a car-jacker. Security tinted windows provide an additional layer of security by obscuring view inside and securing glass.



6. Avoid car theft-lock it! Use an anti-theft device and alarm. Turn the wheels toward curb when you park. Never leave a spare key inside your car. Park in a well-lighted place. All valuables must be out of sight!
7. Be creative. Think of unusual ways to protect yourself and your valuables.
8. Be informed-learn the crime trends in your area and work to protect yourself against them.
9. Get involved-Join or form a neighborhood watch program
10. Don't give up! Crime can be reduced-with action, not apathy!

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