

KEEPING YOUR VEHICLE SAFE

Red Deer County



- Do not leave valuables in the vehicle: (GPS, lap tops, cell phones, wallets, purses)
- Do not leave windows or sunroof open.
- Always lock your doors.
- Do not leave keys in the vehicle.
- Do not leave the garage door opener in the vehicle.
- Do not leave out items with personal information.
- Do not move valuable items to the trunk while in public view.
- Be aware of your surroundings when entering or exiting your vehicle.
- Always park in a well-lit area.



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BREAK-IN PREVENTION TIPS

KEEPING YOUR HOME SAFE



- Keep doors locked, even when you are home.
- Make sure garage doors and windows are closed and locked as well. Don't forget the one between the attached garage and house!!
- Install good exterior motion lights around doors and windows so they can easily be seen by neighbours and passerby.
- Always close and lock any windows that could be used to gain entry to your home, especially when you are away... and even on hot summer nights.
- Get a safety deposit box for storage of your important or irreplaceable documents.

- If you see an open door, keys left in locks, or a vehicle left unlocked call your neighbour and let them know.
- Consider installing a home and/or auto alarm system.
- Park in lit areas at night
- Garage door openers should not be left in vehicles as they can be used to gain access to your home.
- Don't leave valuable items in your vehicles such as phones, purses or wallets, computers, or even change.
- Don't keep extra keys in your vehicles, even if you think they are hidden.
- When away, take measures to make your home look lived in. Put lights, tv's and stereos on a variable timer so they don't turn on at the same time every day.
- If you have a gate at the entrance to your property don't only close it when you are away.
- Have someone drive in and out of your rural property so there are tracks in the winter in the snow.
- Have a neighbour cut your lawn in the summer and pick up papers.
- If you're leaving a vehicle outside have a neighbour move it periodically.

- Leave up to date emergency contact information with a neighbour or friend.
- Turn the ringer to the phone down or off and don't leave an answering machine message saying you are away.
- Set your security alarm if you have one and make sure the person watching your home has the alarm code, password and security companies information.



- Social media sites have become an information highway for criminals. DO NOT post on Facebook, Twitter or any other site that you are going on vacation or will be away. Also, wait until you are back from holidays before sharing your pictures. This is an open invitation to people looking for that information.

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