Ramsey County Sheriff’s Office

Home Safety and Crime Prevention

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Overview

• Preventive maintenance tips for the home
• Personal/Family safety tips while at home
• Options to consider while away
• Interaction with neighbors
• Interaction with Law Enforcement- When to call 911 & what information to provide
• Wireless cameras and technology
Preventive Home Maintenance
Lighting

LIGHTING FOR SAFETY
6 OUTDOOR SPACES

1. ROADWAY LUMINARIES
   - driveways
   - parking areas
   - streets

2. MOTION SENSOR FLOODLIGHTS
   - driveways
   - backyards
   - entryways
   - corners
   - decks/patios
   - pool areas

3. MOUNTED LUMINARIES
   - entrances
   - perimeter

4. LANDSCAPE LUMINARIES
   - ground
   - trees/plants
   - flower beds
   - paths/trails
   - walkways

5. MOTION SENSOR RECESSED LIGHTS
   - pathways
   - doors
   - backyards
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Before Outdoor Lighting

After Outdoor Lighting
Bolts and Locks
Factory Screws
Three to Four Inch Screws
Anyone home?
Don’t Advertise
Boats, Snowmobiles, Trailer and more…

• Invest in a good trailer tongue lock
• Block trailers in with vehicles and landscape
• Do not leave trailer parked on street over night— even if it is attached to a vehicle
• Lock items in the bed of pickup trucks or on trailers
• Email VIN(S) to spouse
Personal/Family safety tips while at home

• Keep entry doors locked even when at home
• Keep garage door closed
• Be skeptical of strangers knocking
• Be aware of suspicious vehicle and foot traffic
• Keys on the bed side at night
• Lock vehicles in driveway and remove valuables
• Remove garage door openers from vehicle(s)
Personal/Family safety tips while at home

- Leave lights on at night- Interior
- Confirm doors are locked before going to bed
Snowbirds or Vacation
No need to shovel
Things to consider while away

• Cancel newspaper delivery
• Forward/ hold mail service
• Coordinate with trust worthy neighbor to watch home
• Place interior lights on timers
• Television or radio on timers
• Hire a young neighborhood entrepreneur to complete snow removal
• Share contact information- Consider an email chain
Interaction with neighbors

• Be Neighborly- Not Nosey
Wealth of Knowledge

- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eZuC0mcrQRY
Interaction with neighbors

• Share your knowledge
• Be a resource
• Share contact information - Phone numbers and emails
• Share emergency contact information
• Stay current with crime trends and share information.
• (Raids Online)
Interaction with Law Enforcement

• When to call 911- Not a day after
• Caller can remain anonymous or request contact by phone
• What information to provide-
  • Address- actual location- major cross streets
  • Observation of event- be clear and precise
  • Vehicle Description(s)
    • First or last three of license plate
    • State of plate
    • Type of vehicle- Truck, SUV or Car
    • Color of vehicle
    • Distinctive items- body damage, loud exhaust, stickers, lights
    • Direction of travel
    • Number of occupants
Interaction with Law Enforcement

• Physical description
  • Race
  • Sex
  • Height
  • Weight
  • Clothing description
  • Weapon observed

• If requested contact by Deputies
  • Let Deputy to make contact with you
  • Stay in your home
  • Do not take action unless absolutely necessary
Wireless cameras and technology

- Piper & Nest
- Z-Wave
Piper Camera System

• Piper Website:  https://getpiper.com/
• Review of Piper:
  •  https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=E9Bdr5HU8hY
Nest Camera/Home System

• Nest Camera System:
• [https://nest.com/](https://nest.com/)