

if you
SEE
something
SAY
something



Emergency Dispatch
911

Non-Emergency Dispatch
(801) 840-4000

Non-Emergency Online Reporting
wvc-ut.gov/reportacrime

Community Response Unit
(ongoing community issues)
wvc-ut.gov/communityservices
communityservices@wvc-ut.gov
(801) 955-3797

Crime Statistics
wvc-ut.gov/crimemap

Tip-a-cop Hotline
(801) 963-3459

www.wvcpd.com

TIP

Use this form as a guide as you check your home for safety measures. Boxes marked "NO" indicate areas where you could take action to improve your safety. These are just some of the steps you can take to decrease the likelihood that you or your home is targeted.



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PERSONAL SAFETY

- | | YES | NO |
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| When in public, I walk steady and watchfully. I communicate a sense of self confidence and purpose, head erect and alert. | [] | [] |
| I carry few valuables with me. | [] | [] |
| I think ahead about safe havens to escape to and obtain aid should a need arise. I know where the nearest public phones are located. I carry extra coins with me in case it is necessary to make calls. 911 calls on pay phones are free. | [] | [] |
| I try not to walk alone, especially at night. I realize there is strength in numbers. | [] | [] |
| I avoid poorly lighted streets and resist shortcuts through vacant lots, alleys, tunnels, etc. If I get lost, I seek help from people in highly active and well lighted areas. | [] | [] |
| I never ask for rides from strangers. | [] | [] |
| I carry a whistle, battery operated alarm or other sounding device so I can signal for help. | [] | [] |
| When walking, I avoid being stopped by individuals. I never give out personal information to strangers such as who I am, who I work for, my children's names, etc. | [] | [] |
| When I am walking at night, I carry a long metal flash light and/or have my leashed dog with me. I allow my eyes a few minutes to adjust to the light level before I start walking. | [] | [] |
| I always lock my car and take the key with me. I never leave a key hidden inside my car. | [] | [] |
| I do not leave a message on my answering machine that informs people that I am out of town and my home is vacant. | [] | [] |

EXTERIOR DOORS and WINDOWS

All doors are locked during the day (even when someone is home), at night and every time we leave the house (even if it is just for a few minutes).

Doors are solid hardwood or metal-clad.

Doors feature wide-angle peepholes at heights everyone can use.

If there are glass panels in or near our doors, they are reinforced in some way so that they cannot be shattered.

Every window in the house has a working key lock or is securely pinned.

Windows are always locked, even when they are opened a few inches for ventilation.

All entry ways have a working, keyed entry lock and sturdy dead bolt lock installed into the frame of the door.

Spare keys are kept with a trusted neighbor, not under a doormat or planter, on a ledge, or in the mailbox.

The sliding glass door has a strong, working key lock.

A dowel or a pin to secure a glass door has been installed to prevent the door from being shoved aside or lifted off the track.

The sliding door is locked every night and each time we leave the house.

My landlord or building manager tightly controls ALL keys.

YES NO

GARAGE

The door leading from the attached garage to the house is solid wood or metal-clad and protected with a quality keyed door lock and deadbolt.

The overhead garage door has a lock so that we do not rely solely on the automatic door opener to provide security.

Garage doors are all locked when leaving the house.

The sliding glass door has a strong, working key lock.

A dowel or a pin to secure a glass door has been installed to prevent the door from being shoved aside or lifted off the track.

The sliding door is locked every night and each time we leave the house.

OUTDOORS

Shrubs and bushes are trimmed so there is no place for someone to hide.

There are no dark areas around our residence, garage, or yard at night that would hide prowlers.

Every outside door has a bright, working light to illuminate visitors.

Floodlights are used appropriately to ensure effective illumination.

Outdoor lights are on in the evening - whether someone is at home or not. Photocell or motion-sensitive lighting has been installed.

Gate latches, garage doors, and shed doors are all locked with high security laminated padlocks after every use.

YES NO

WHILE AWAY FROM HOME

At least two light timers have been set to turn the lights on and off in a logical sequence, when we are away from home for an extended period of time.

The motion detector or other alarm system (if we have one) has been activated when we leave home.

Mail and newspaper deliveries have been stopped or arrangements for a neighbor/friend to pick them up have been made when we go away from home for a period of time.

A neighbor/friend has been asked to maintain the yard and watch our home when we are away.

Our local Neighborhood Watch has been notified that we will be away from home for a period of time.

OUTDOOR VALUABLES and PERSONAL PROPERTY

Grills, lawn mowers, and other valuables are stored in a locked garage or shed, or if left out in the open, are hidden from view with a tarp and securely locked to a stationary point.

Every bicycle is secured with a U-bar lock or quality padlock and chain.

Bikes are always locked, even if we leave them for just a minute.

Firearms are stored unloaded and locked in storage boxes and secured with trigger guard locks.

Valuable items, such as televisions, stereos, and computers have been documented on an Operation ID sheet and kept current.

YES NO

OUR APARTMENT BUILDING

There is some kind of control over who enters and leaves the building.

Walkways, entrances, parking areas, elevators, hallways, stairways, laundry rooms, and storage areas are well lighted, 24 hours a day.

Fire stairs are locked from the stairwell side above the ground floor, so you can exit but no one can enter.

Mailboxes are in a well traveled, well lighted area and have good locks.

We know our neighbors and are part of an apartment watch group. We watch out for each other as neighbors.

YES NO

TIP

If you do not want to use the on-line registration, you can go to the Department of Commerce in person. Using the method of fax or by mail will delay the processing of your license considerably. This delay is due to the fact that our license department needs proof that you have registered the name and that can only be done once the Department of Commerce provides the business owner with a receipt of the registration. You can register your business name at the

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