#### POLICE DEPARTMENT BOISE

# VEHICLE BURGLARY



### PREVENTION

Most vehicle burglaries are crimes of opportunity. Taking extra precautions can greatly reduce the chance of becoming a victim.

If you are the victim of a vehicle burglary, please call Boise Police Dispatch at 208-377-6790.

For emergencies call 911.

#### ALWAYS REMEMBER:



- A locked vehicle is safer. Do not leave the windows or sunroof open, even if parking at home or stopping to run a quick errand.
- Do not leave car, house or work keys in the vehicle. Don't store the garage door opener in plain view.
- Leave valuables at home (especially firearms) or conceal your items in the trunk and out of view.
- Do not leave items with personal identification in the vehicle. Carry registration and insurance cards with you or lock in the glove box.
- Alarms and anti-theft devices work. If the vehicle has one, use it.



- If available, always park in the garage.
  Remember to close the garage door and secure pet doors.
- Confirm that all inside doors leading to the garage or to the outside are locked.
- If a garage is not available, park in the driveway.
  Leave on porch lights at night to deter criminal activity.
- If only street parking is available, park in front of your house to ensure good visibility of the vehicle.

## IN PUBLIC:



- Unless going straight home, store all shopping bags and other purchases in the trunk.
- Park in busy, well-lighted areas with good visibility. If using a parking garage, park close to an exit, preferably away from stairwell walls or dark corners, and have your keys out and ready when you return to your car.

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