



# TOP BURGLARY PREVENTION TIPS



Police Officers are on continuous lookout for crimes and suspicious activity that may occur in your area. The problem of Burglary is a growing concern and we need your help in combatting this crime of opportunity. Basic security precautions can significantly reduce the crime of Burglary. By being security conscious and using simple steps to secure your home or apartment, the number of criminal incidents can be greatly reduced. **HOW CAN YOU PREVENT BURGLARY?**

- ✓ Close and **lock** all entrance doors, use **strong** locks and solid doors, reinforce **door** frames
- ✓ Ensure all **windows** are closed and locked and **covered** by blinds or shades
- ✓ **Keep** all areas well lit and **leave** ample exterior/interior **lights on**
- ✓ Install security **cameras** and exterior lighting
- ✓ Keep **security** gates closed
- ✓ Be observant and **call the police** (911) on suspicious persons
- ✓ Do **not** announce your absence when on vacation
  - Vacation tips
    - Use automatic **timers** for lights and radio
    - Leave drapes or blinds **open**
  - Have a **neighbor** do the following:
    - **Pick up** your mail and packages or **stop** mail
    - Use your **garbage can** for their trash
    - Visit your home **each** day and check **entrance** doors and windows

**Don't be a Victim Beware of Burglars**