Steps to Minimize Being a

Burglary Victim

Residential Burglaries

- Lock doors
- Lock windows & sliding glass door
- Close garage door
- Lock interior entrance door from garage
- Strategically placed lighting (motion sensors)
- Install alarm system
- Lock doors, if out of sight, when doing yard work
- Do not leave items of value lying around
- Dog
- Watch your neighbor's property & report suspicious activity
- Document suspicious vehicles & plate numbers
- Document suspicious individuals (race, hair, clothing, direction of travel)
- Document serial & model numbers of expensive items (photographs)

Commercial Burglaries

- Strategically placed lighting (inside & out)
- Alarm system
- Video surveillance
- Expensive property away from exterior doors & windows
- Good inventory records
- Keep small amounts of cash or a secure safe

Vehicle Burglaries

- Lock doors
- Remove keys
- Keep expensive items out of vehicle or locked in the trunk
- Park in locked garage if possible
- Park off of street in driveway, if not garage
- Document serial & model numbers of expensive items
- If you observe suspicious activity, call POLICE
- Document suspicious vehicles & plate numbers
- Document suspicious individuals (race, hair, clothing, direction of travel)
- Stay on phone with POLICE & update information, if possible