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Ref: Safe Guards against Thefts/Burglaries

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Grinnell Police have seen a recent upswing in the amount of thefts from motor vehicles as well as burglaries to residential homes. With this, Grinnell Police would like to remind citizens of some safeguards that they can follow which will make them less likely to become the victim of a theft.

- First off: Never leave valuables such as cell phones, IPODS, CD's, money, purses, wallets, checks, clothing or anything else of value inside of your motor vehicle once you park it and leave it unattended.
- Always lock your motor vehicle.
- Park your vehicle in a lighted area such as under a street light or under a utility light in your driveway.
- Ensure that all doors leading into your residences including walk-in garage doors are secured at night.
- Leave an outside light on at night before going to bed or leave a light on inside of your residence after you go to bed.
- Make sure windows are locked and secured at night as well
- REPORT SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY TO POLICE RIGHT AWAY: If you see someone suspicious in your neighborhood day or night, report it right away to Police. Keep an eye on your neighbor's property as well. If you know your neighbor is away and you see suspicious activity at their residence or see someone suspicious on their property, once again contact Police right away.

The Grinnell Police Department is always appreciative of the support and assistance from the public that we receive and we ask for your continued support and assistance in reporting any suspicious activity you observe in your neighborhoods.

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