

# LEON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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### LCSO Reminds Everyone to Lock Up and Look Out

The Leon County Sheriff's Office would like to remind everyone to be safe and stay alert. Historically, the summer months show an increase in reported residential and vehicle burglaries. Residential burglaries typically occur during daytime hours when people are away from their homes, while most vehicle burglaries occur at night. Unlocked vehicles make easy targets for would be thieves and valuables stolen from cars are seldom recovered.

Remove valuables from your car and lock it when you leave it. A phone, GPS unit, iPod or a computer in an unlocked car becomes an easy target for someone looking for the chance to steal.

If you have an alarm system, use it. A significant number of residential burglaries are committed on homes that have alarm systems, but were simply not activated. Keep a record of the make, model and serial numbers on your valuables and store this information in a secure place.

Be alert and on the look out for unusual or suspicious activity. If you witness something suspicious, contact the Leon County Sheriff's Office or your local law enforcement agency. By working together we can minimize the impact of criminal activity, act as a deterrent to crime by not becoming victims of opportunity and work with law enforcement to provide information about suspicious persons.

Consider joining a neighborhood watch group. If one does not exist in your neighborhood, you can start one with assistance from your local law enforcement.

For more information about home safety and security related issues contact the Crime Prevention Unit at the Leon County Sheriff's Office at (850) 922-3323.

These tips and others like them are suggestions to remind you to **LOCK UP AND LOOK OUT.**

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