Bloomfield Township Police Department

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Neighborhood Safety Tips

At your Home:

- Keep your doors and windows closed and locked whenever possible
- Install deadbolts on every entry door. Replace standard ¾ inch screws with 3+ inch screws to better secure door latches, strike plates and hinges.
- Use properly adjusted motion lights on the exterior of your home to eliminate shadow areas at night.
- Exterior light fixtures should be out of arms reach, so criminals cannot simply unscrew lightbulbs.
- Landscaping should be trimmed back to eliminate hiding spots for criminals. Landscaping should not be higher than 36" tall. Tree branches should be trimmed up to 6 feet.
- Always keep your garage door down.

For your Vehicle:

- Park your vehicle in the garage whenever possible
- ALWAYS lock your vehicle
- Close your vehicle's windows to prevent someone from reaching inside
- Remove valuables from your vehicle

While you're on Vacation:

- If you will be gone for an extended time, call the Bloomfield Township Police Department (248)433-7755 and ask to be added to the Vacation House Check List. Officers will check your home while you're away.
- Put lights on a timer throughout the house. Change the timing of these lights so it appears as if someone is moving throughout the home.
- Have a trusted neighbor collect your mail and newspaper, or stop delivery of the mail while you are away.

These crime prevention tips are not guaranteed to keep you from being a victim of a crime, nor can every eventuality be anticipated. However, based upon the experience of the Bloomfield Township Police Department, these tips can help to increase your security.

Be a nosey neighbor. <u>YOU</u> know your neighborhood better than anyone else. If you see something that doesn't look right. Call us immediately. We would rather verify something you saw was NOT a crime.

Bloomfield Township residents can have a **FREE** security assessment on their home. Call the Community Relations Officer at (248)433-7724 to schedule an appointment.