



# Community Outreach Program



## *Home Security Checklist*

Use this checklist to help determine whether or not your home is adequately protected against burglary. If you can find a way into your home without a key, it is a sure bet that a burglar can also! Each "no" answer scores a point for the burglar.

### PERIMETER

- Are windows and doors free of obstructions (bushes, etc.) that block the view of your yard or street?
- Are house numbers clearly posted on your house and visible from the street?
- Do all doors leading into the house and garage have adequate deadbolt locks?
- Does your front door have a peephole installed?
- Are all windows and sliding glass doors equipped with auxiliary locks in addition to the ones supplied by the manufacturer?
- Are the window locks resistant to removal from outside if the window is broken? Burglars will seldom crawl through a broken window but they will reach inside to open a lock.
- Do you lock your doors when you leave the house even for a short time?

### INTERIOR

- Do you have stickers with emergency numbers plainly posted on or near all telephones?
- Have you marked all of your valuables with your drivers license number?
- Do you have a list of serial numbers and descriptions of valuable items?
- Do you leave lights on a timer while you are gone for the evening or on vacation?
- Have you made arrangements with a trusted neighbor to look after your house during a vacation or an emergency while you are away?
- Do you call the police immediately whenever you see or hear something suspicious in your neighborhood?