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PRESS RELEASE

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Auto Thefts Increase

The Coalinga Police Department has had a recent increase in vehicle thefts and vehicle vandalism within the City of Coalinga. We urge the citizens of Coalinga to remember the importance of vehicle safety and how they can avoid being targeted by criminals.

Here are a few tips you can remind yourself of to reduce the risk of vehicle theft:

1. Take your keys and lock your vehicle
2. Remove valuable items or move them out of view
3. Use a steering wheel lock
4. Install/ Enable Audible alarms
5. Install tracking system or immobilizer system
6. Install video surveillance at your home that face your vehicle(s)
7. Park in a well-lit area
8. Always be aware of your surroundings and report any unusual activity in your neighborhood

El Departamento de Policía de Coalinga ha tenido un reciente aumento en los robos de vehículos y vandalismo de vehículos dentro de la Ciudad de Coalinga. Instamos a los

ciudadanos de Coalinga para recordar la importancia de la seguridad del vehículo y cómo pueden evitar ser blanco de los delincuentes.

He aquí algunos consejos que puede recordar para reducir el riesgo de robo de vehículos:

1. Coja las llaves y cierre el vehículo con llave
2. Retire los objetos de valor o apártelos de la vista
3. Utilice un candado en el volante
4. Instale o active alarmas acústicas
5. Instale un sistema de seguimiento o un sistema inmovilizador
6. Instale videovigilancia en su casa que mire hacia su(s) vehículo(s)
7. Aparque en una zona bien iluminada
8. Esté siempre atento a su entorno e informe de cualquier actividad inusual en su vecindario



AUTOMOTIVE THEFT AWARENESS

REMOVE IT



17% OF STOLEN VEHICLES ARE ASSOCIATED FROM THEFT OF ITEMS LEFT IN VEHICLES. ALWAYS ENSURE TO REMOVE PERSONAL BELONGINGS FROM YOUR VEHICLE.

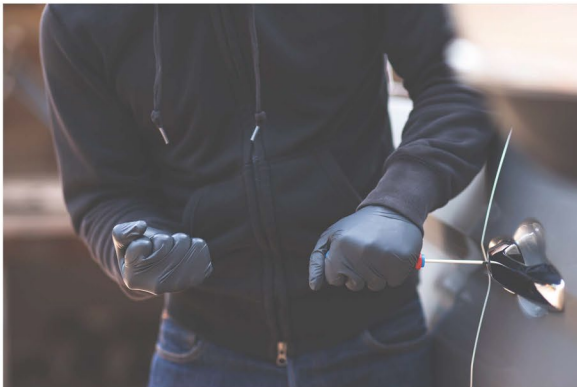
SECURE IT

FBI CRIME DATA EXPLORER - NEARLY 40% OF MOTOR VEHICLE THEFTS OCCUR AT A RESIDENCE AND ABOUT 22% OF MOTO VEHICLE THEFTS OCCURRED AT A PARKING GARAGE OR LOT.

PROJECT YOUR VEHICLE BY SECURING IT NO MATTER WHERE YOU PARK.



REPORT IT



SEE SOMETHING, SAY SOMETHING
REPORT SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY TO:
COALINGA POLICE DEPARTMENT
559-935-1525 OPT 1

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RETAIL THEFT AWARENESS

SURVEILLANCE/SIGNAGE

SURVEILLANCE AND SECURITY SYSTEMS CAN ASSIST IN PREVENTION, AS WELL AS, DOCUMENTATION TO ASSIST WITH INVESTIGATION. UTILIZING SIGNS CAN ENCOURAGE DETERRENCE FROM PERPETRATORS



CUSTOMER INTERACTION



THE CITY CURRENTLY ENDURES A HIGH PERCENTAGE OF REOCCURRING PERPETRATORS, WITH OCCASIONAL BEING OUT OF THE AREA. INTERACTIONS WITH CUSTOMERS CAN ASSIST FAMILIARIZATION OF REOFFENDERS AS WELL AS WITH NOTICING SUSPICIOUS BEHAVIOR FROM UNFAMILIAR CUSTOMERS.

REPORT IT

WHEN RETAIL THEFT HAS OCCURED, REPORT IT RIGHT AWAY.

REMEMBER TO OBTAIN IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

- ADDRESS OF THE STORE
- TIME FRAME OF THE CRIME
- SUSPECT DESCRIPTION
- DIRECTION OF TRAVEL
- TYPE OF TRAVEL (CAR/BIKE/ON FOOT)
- IF SUSPECT USED ANY WEAPONS
- VALUE OF ITEMS TAKEN



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