



Simply locking your vehicle and keeping valuables out of sight will reduce theft!

Why Should I Lock My Vehicle?

- Offenders target unsecured vehicles over 60% of the time!
(Statistic taken from a random review of vehicle larcenies reported to the Tucson Police Department)
- Simply locking your vehicle can reduce your chance of being victimized!
- Items taken are usually those that are easy to grab and run away with!
- Most thefts occur at night when it is quiet, so making noise is not an option in most neighborhoods!

Why Do Criminals Target Unlocked Vehicles?

Criminals look for easy opportunities:

- They look for items they can take and dispose of quickly (CDs, loose change, etc.).
- They do not want to be seen, so breaking a window for entry is more risky.
- They try doors to find the open ones so they can quickly hit many targets on a single street or in an apartment complex parking lot.

What Can I Do To Help?

- **LOCK YOUR VEHICLE!**
- Make sure your windows are up!
- If you have a garage, use it!
- Do not leave valuables visible in your car; place them in your trunk, if possible!
- Park in a well-lighted area!
- If you see someone suspicious hanging around in a parking lot, call 9-1-1 and report it!
- If you live in an apartment complex, talk with the manager about security services and whether the complex participates in the Tucson Police Department's Crime Free Multi-Housing program!

