

# SAFETY & HOME SECURITY TIPS

## YOUR CAR

- Always lock your car when you leave it outdoors.
- Park in a well-lit area and be aware of your surroundings before you leave the car. Consider asking for a security escort when returning to your car.
- Never leave your home address in your navigator system. Instead use 1500 Del Webb Blvd. Keep the navigator out of sight — less temptation to break in.
- Keep the registration and insurance copies in your wallet or locked in the glove compartment.
- Keep the garage door remote out of sight or locked in the glove compartment.
- Many cars can program the remote code into a button in the car. If you have your car manual, Neighbors InDeed can help you program it.
- Consider buying a mini-remote to put on your car key ring. Keep instructions and Neighbors InDeed can help you program it.
- Keep packages and other valuables out of sight in the trunk.

## YOUR GARAGE

- Keep the big garage door completely closed. Do not leave it partially open.

***The entry door from the garage into the house.***

**None of the burglary victims had this door locked**

- Keep locked day and night whether you are home or not.
- Consider installing a peephole in the entry door from the house into the garage
- Consider installing a motion sensor for the lights in the garage

***The side garage door, aka man-door, and personnel door:***

- Keep locked day and night whether you are home or not.
- Consider installing a removable bar across it. This can be accomplished with heavy-duty brackets to hold a 2X4.

## **YOUR HOUSE**

- Consider installing motion sensor lights near exterior doors — at difficult to reach locations so they cannot be easily disabled.
- Consider putting a PVC pipe in your slider doors and window tracks to prevent opening.
- Put your car keys beside your bed at night. If you hear a noise outside your home or someone trying to get in your house, just press the panic button for your car. The alarm will be set off, and the horn will continue to sound until either you turn it off or the car battery dies.

***When away from home:***

- Keep windows covered to prevent window-shopping.
- Turn on a radio near a window with a light on and windows covered.
- Set inside lights on timers.
- Consider installing a monitored alarm system.
- Notify the Lincoln Police Department for a Vacation Home Check request. This can also be done online at [WWW.LINCOLNPD.ORG](http://WWW.LINCOLNPD.ORG)
- Notify neighbors and your Neighborhood Watch Mail Box Captain when leaving for an extended period and stop newspaper delivery.

**AT YOUR SERVICE,  
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