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Over 2 Million Homes are **Burglarized Each Year**



65% of burglaries between happen 6 a.m. and 6 p.m. Most burglars gain entry to the house through unsecured doors or windows.





Cash, electronics, and jewelry are the most targeted items during a burglary,

SECURE YOUR HOME! • SECURE YOUR HO!

Keep your doors, windows, and garage locked at all times.

Install peepholes and deadbolts on all exterior doors and removable pins or bars on all windows.

Be sure sliding glass doors or wood doors with windows are secure.

Don't place valuables so that they are visible through windows.

If you have an alarm system, don't forget to arm it when you leave.



Ensure your yard, entryways, and windows are well lit

Install motion-activated floodlights.

Trim bushes away from doors and windows to eliminate possible hiding spots.

Plant thorny bushes or hedges by your windows.

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Let your trusted neighbors know when you'll be on vacation and give them your contact information.

Set your lights and a radio or TV up with timers while you're gone.

When going out of town, halt your newspaper and mail services.

Don't advertise your absence - this includes posting your vacation info on social media or noting that you'll be gone on your voice mail message.



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Burglars may check out your home ahead of time by pretending to be repairmen, utility workers, or solicitors.

Burglars frequently target homes that are within a few miles of their own home.

Dogs can be a deterrent as they will usually bark, and maybe bite, strangers.

On average, burglars spend 8 to 12 minutes in a home

BE SAFE • BE SMART PROTECT YOUR HOME & FAMILY