



Residential Burglary Prevention Tips

Saint Paul Police Department
Non-emergency 651-291-1111
Possible crime in progress, 911

It is important for the community to help be the eyes & ears for the Saint Paul Police Department by reporting suspicious activity. Any call to the police is valid. If you see anything that seems out of the ordinary for you, your neighbors, and your area, the police *WANT* you to call so they are able to check it out. If you see a person(s) walking through alleys or the neighborhood that seem to be checking things out, call the police immediately. Seeing a person in a neighbor's yard, attempting to enter their home, or looking in windows should be an immediate **911** call.

It is essential that people keep doors locked at all times and again, report any activity that is unusual or suspicious for your neighborhood to the police by calling 911. Information you are able to provide such as a description of person(s) may help to identify a suspect or a vehicle make, model, and license plate (even partial plate number) is helpful.

Other crime prevention tips:

- Never leave items such as purse, wallet, briefcase, lap top case, etc. in sight of windows where someone might see them.
- Have model and serial number of your belongings kept in a safe place.
- If you do not have sufficient lighting on your property, consider installing motion lights or dusk to dawn lighting. If you have lights that are not this type, turn them on. It takes only cents a month to keep these lights on during the evening hours and may prevent someone from entering your yard/property.
- If you have a security system, use it even if you are leaving for a short time.

Again, we are asking that the neighbors be aware of these recent burglaries and to please report any activity that you think may be suspicious or unusual. Call the Saint Paul Police at either **911** or the non emergency number, **651-291-1111** at any time of the day or night to report a possible crime in progress or suspicious activity.

Please help to be the "eyes and ears" for the community. Do for your neighbor as you would like them to do for you by reporting to police if anything seems, or looks unusual to help keep our neighborhood a safe place to live, work, and play in for everyone.

Contact the Western District Police office at 651-266-5512 for general questions, or 651-266-5625 for the Western District Crime Prevention Unit for safety suggestions.



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