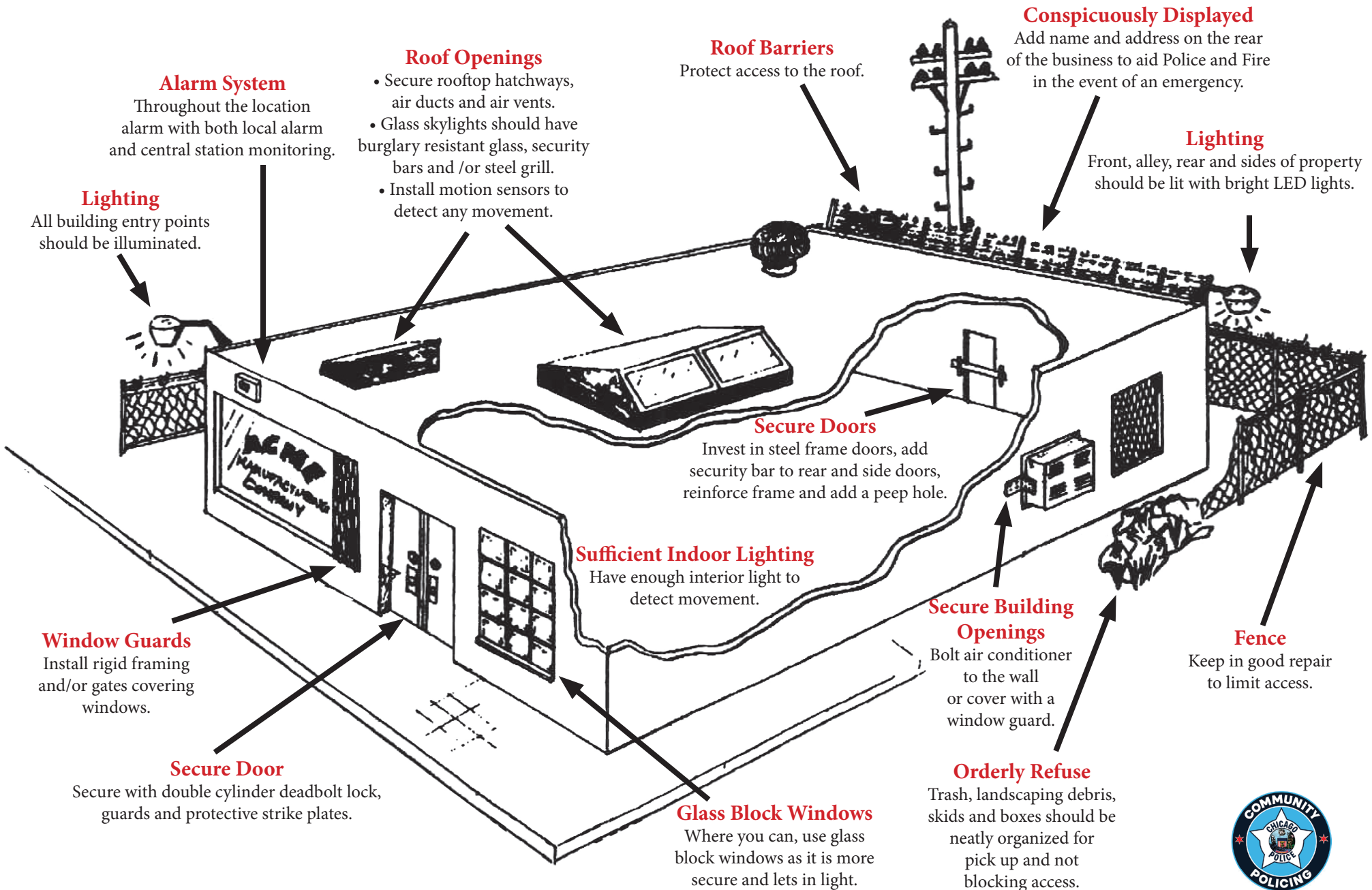


# Burglary Checklist for Business Locations



# BURGLARY PREVENTION TIPS FOR BUSINESS LOCATIONS

## LIGHTING

- Assure that all entry points to the building are properly illuminated
- Leave enough interior lighting to detect movement
- Invest in new bright LED Lights

## DOORS

- Invest in steel frame doors
- Side and rear entry doors should be solid construction with bar security

## LOCKS

- Make sure that all doors, windows and skylights are secured with the best possible locks
- Upgrade to deadbolt style locks where possible

## WINDOWS

- Close and lock all windows
- Ensure that they cannot be opened from the outside
- Front windows and door glass can be laminated with a special material to resist shattering and unlawful entry

## GATES

- Consider installing gates to protect glass frontage

## SAFES

- Do not leave large amounts of money in the safe overnight
- Safes should be positioned in a discreet location not visible to the outside, and bolted to the floor

## VALUABLES

- Do not leave valuables in plain sight
- Secure cash registers, ATM machines, electronic devices, vending machines, and equipment to prevent unauthorized removal

## ROOF

- Make sure that any access to the business from the roof such as a roof hatch and ventilation systems are secured from the inside

## ALARM

- Install a burglar alarm system

Register your business emergency contact information with the Chicago Police Department's Community Policing Office in the event of an after hours emergency.



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