

Vehicle Burglary Prevention

LOCK - TAKE - HIDE

Vehicle burglaries are among the top crimes in Pasadena.
DON'T BE THE NEXT VICTIM!!

PREVENT VEHICLE BURGLARY:

- **Lock Up:** Lock your vehicle and take your keys, even for quick errands. Close all windows, including vent or wing windows and sunroofs. Do not store a spare key to your spouse or partner's car in your vehicle.
- **Vehicle alarms:** Buy an alarm and use it! Many people believe that alarms no longer make a difference; however, they do remain an effective deterrent to a burglar. Remember criminals are looking for the easy target.
- **Remove visible items from your vehicle:** If you leave items visible in your car, you are a target. Be aware that someone may be watching as you put a wallet, purse, or cell phone under your seat, especially at a gym.
- **Take these with you or secure them in your trunk beforehand:** Even a visible charging cable could make you a potential target. Don't think your dark tinted windows will hide your valuables. Thieves often use flashlights to see through tint.
- **Mail:** Do not leave outgoing or incoming mail in your car, especially where visible. This has your name and address on it.
- **Garage Door Opener:** Avoid leaving this in your car if possible.
- **Park Safely!** At home, park in your garage if you have one. Park in a well-lit area!
- **Handicap Placard Theft:** Do not leave your handicap placard in your vehicle when not in use. Please remove it from your vehicle and from plain view. Thieves have been smashing windows to steal handicap placards.



REPORT SUSPICIOUS
ACTIVITY TO PASADENA PD

Emergency 9-1-1
Non-Emergency (626)744-4241



Should you be the victim of a vehicle burglary, report the crime immediately to the local law enforcement agency. You can report thefts in Pasadena at 626.744.4241 or online at <https://www.cityofpasadena.net/police/crime/report-a-crime/>