

PUBLIC REMINDER TO SAFEGUARD AGAINST RESIDENTIAL BREAK AND ENTERS

As Fall and Daylight Saving Time approaches, York Regional Police (YRP) is reminding the public to safeguard their homes against seasonal break and enters.

Despite recent arrests following the results of several projects targeting residential break and enters, this time of year historically sees a marked increase of reports across York Region.

Using a data-driven approach YRP continues to identify break and enter hot-spot areas across the region and is increasing police visibility and conducting proactive investigations.

Homeowners are encouraged to remain vigilant and call 9-1-1 to report suspicious activity in their neighbourhood.

You can take [these six steps](#) to protect your home from criminals:

- Install security cameras and put indoor and outdoor lights on timers
- Cut back trees, shrubs and anything blocking the view of entrances
- Close, lock and secure all doors and windows
- Store valuables somewhere unexpected
- Know your neighbours and have them watch your home if you're away
- Register on the York Regional Police [Security Camera Registry](#)

Something new for 2026 is to notify your Neighbourhood Watch Captain of suspicious activity so they can utilize the YRP Neighbourhood is Watching Program.

For more tips on home security visit our [crime prevention website](#).

Anyone with information is asked to contact the York Regional Police #5 District Criminal Investigations Bureau at 1-866-876-5423, ext. 7545. Anonymous tips can be made by contacting Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS or by visiting www.1800222tips.com.

Visit our [Community Safety Data Portal](#) for complete stats and crime data within York Region. Crime prevention is our shared responsibility.

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