



In this newsletter, we will be discussing the following:

- Block Watch Program
- Crime Prevention Tips
- Local crime statistics
- Post Falls City Code



BLOCK WATCH

JUNE 2016

Summer is here and along with the warmer weather comes the potential for an increase in suspicious activity. The Post Falls Police Department Community Service Officers are welcoming any neighborhoods in our community to attend the “Block Watch” meeting on June 22, 2016 at 6pm. The meeting will be held in the Post Falls Police Department community services room. Current “Block Watch” representatives or anyone interested in gathering information to possibly initiate the program in your neighborhood are welcome to attend. If interested, please send at least one representative to attend the meeting. Any questions, please contact Community Services at 208-773-3517 or e-mail: codeenforcement@postfallspolice.com.

What is the Block Watch Program?

It is an effective way to prevent crime and reduce fear in your neighborhood. The program helps to fight the isolation crime creates and feeds upon in neighborhoods, and forges bonds among area residents.

Crime Prevention Tip



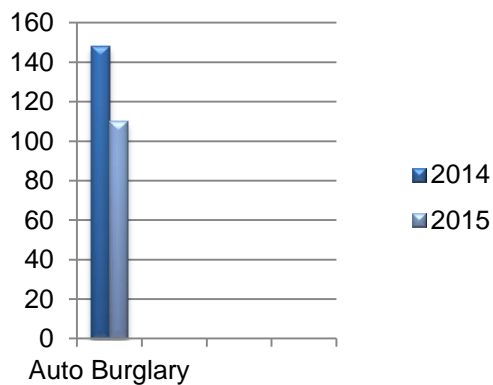
Avoid being a victim of an auto burglary

Since the warmer weather is approaching, we tend to drive with our vehicle windows down for some fresh, cool air. At times we exit our vehicles in a rush to get inside our home from work and enjoy the nicer weather, forgetting to secure our vehicle. Keep the following in mind to prevent your vehicle from being targeted by criminal activity.

- Avoid leaving vehicle keys inside the vehicle
- Ensure all vehicle windows are rolled up and lock all vehicle doors
- Keep all valuables out of immediate visibility
- Secure garage door openers in a closed compartment
- Park in a secure garage when possible
- When parking in driveways during night time hours keep adequate lighting

2015 Auto burglary statistics

In 2015, the Post Falls Police Department had 110 reported thefts from motor vehicles. This is down by 25.68% from 2014.



Keep in mind, victims of auto burglaries report incidents occurring both during daytime and night time hours.

Post Falls City Code

10.20.050:

TIME LIMITATION:

No vehicle, including major recreational vehicles or equipment, shall be parked continuously at the same location or combination of locations within the same block on any public street or public alley on any public street or alley in the city for more than twenty four (24) hours. For the purpose of this chapter, "major recreational vehicles and equipment" are defined as including, but not limited to, boats and boat trailers, pickup campers or coaches (designed to be mounted on automotive vehicles), motorized dwellings, and tent trailers. (Ord. 1201, 2010)



The Post Falls Police Department Community Services Department will be providing a new Post Falls City code in each quarterly newsletter. The Post Falls City code is available to the community through the City of Post Falls or Post Falls Police Department web pages.

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