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## Chicago Crime Concerns & Safety Solutions

Cooperate with Chicago Police Department and our Association: [www.chicagopolice.org](http://www.chicagopolice.org) and [www.fultonmarketchicago.org](http://www.fultonmarketchicago.org).

### Key Details

- Criminals rove 24/7 in vehicles
- BE AWARE in the public way
- Call 911 proactively to report concerns & suspicious activity
- Prepare yourself & your vehicle for scenarios (minimize valuables on person & vehicle)
- Carry notebook & pen to write details
- Report all crimes to Chicago Police & go to court (FMA can assist you)
- Report all crimes to Fulton Market Association for trend-tracking & community alerts

### Prevent Pedestrian Attacks

- Look up & around not down, no audio distractions when walking
- Carry personal protection device
- Download "911 Call" app to phone
- No large bags/purses/laptops (Drop off bags at destination before parking)
- If you encounter someone, consider eye contact & a friendly greeting (Announce alertness)
- If you encounter a panhandler, beware a "set-up" & being attacked from behind by others
- If confronted, memorize characteristics & write details

### Prevent Vehicle Carjacking

- Install car-tracking device with monthly service for best results, install interior car camera
- Drive during daytime if possible
- Be ready to drive offensively & flee dangerous situation
- Leave 10-foot distance between vehicle & others at traffic stops for escape route
- Beware being followed (Drive around block before parking or call 911 if needed)
- No audio distractions before opening car door (Maximum alertness when entering public way)
- Surrender vehicle if weapon involved
- Memorize details & write down

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## CARJACKING PREVENTION TIPS

Location, Location, Location: Don't be Surprised	Scenarios: Be Aware	Safety Tips: Think Ahead
<p>Certain areas make it easier for carjackers to engage with you. Drivers should be aware of the following frequent carjacking locations;</p> <p><b>Anywhere a driver slows down or stops</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Residential driveways (getting in and out of the vehicle)</li> <li>• Parking lots and garages</li> <li>• Gas stations</li> <li>• ATMs</li> <li>• Intersections with stop lights</li> </ul>	<p><b>Bump and Run</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• You are rear ended. A passenger from the vehicle that bumps you jumps into your driver seat when you go to assess the damage and exchange driver information. Note their description and call 911.</li> </ul> <p><b>Stranded Motorist</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Do Not Stop for apparently stranded strangers along the road. Note their location and call 911.</li> </ul>	<p>Always be aware of your surroundings. Make it a habit to enter your car, lock your doors immediately and drive away. Look around for suspicious persons sitting in vehicles or loitering in the area before entering your vehicle. Always;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Park in well-lit, visible areas</li> <li>• Keep your windows up and doors locked</li> <li>• Equip your vehicle with anti-theft/GPS</li> <li>• Give yourself room to maneuver around stopped traffic. Don't get 'boxed' in.</li> <li>• Keep your cell phone in your pocket</li> <li>• <b>Trust your instincts</b></li> </ul> <p><i>Create a Smart 911 profile and include your vehicle information.</i></p>

### IF YOU ARE THE VICTIM OF A CARJACKING

- Give up your car and leave the scene.
- The vehicle can be replaced. You are irreplaceable.
- Avoid verbal/physical confrontations.
- Remember the suspect(s)' description and their vehicle's description (if they have one).
- If there is a child in the vehicle, let the carjacker know "my child is in the car."

Call 911 immediately to report the crime



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### **Prevent Vehicle Break-In & Theft**

- Never leave valuables inside vehicle - - not for a moment
- Never leave vehicle running unattended - - not for a moment
- Remove valuables from vehicle (electronics, chargers, bags/empty bags, GPS devices)
- Avoid parking in dark areas
- Post "Hide Your Vehicle Valuables" warning signs at business entrances
- Install exterior cameras, lights & camera-recording signs
- Call 911 if crime in progress
- Call 312-746-6000 if crime is not in progress

### **Prevent Building Break-Ins**

- Quality doors, windows & security systems
- Exterior cameras & lights in front & back of building
- Safety protocols to keep exit-doors closed especially adjacent to alleys

### **Prevent Crime Inside Business: Shoplifting, Counterfeiting & Criminals Sneaking into Back Rooms**

- Install in-store cameras, audio devices & under-counter panic buttons
- Develop operations protocols for various scenarios
- Maintain protocols for exit-doors especially adjacent to alleys

### **Prevent Residential Garage Attacks**

- Secure yourself inside vehicle before exiting garage
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- Install exterior cameras & lights around front & back of residence

### **Prevent Packages Stolen from Home Porch & Prevent Stolen Bikes**

- Request instant-notice of delivery, get product or have neighbor get it
- Deliver package to work, store or neighbor
- Secure bike with two locks (frame & tires)

### **Prevent Graffiti, Open Dumpsters, Illegal Garbage & Illegal Defacing of Public Property**

- Clean graffiti immediately privately or with help from Chicago Sanitation Dept.
- Ask dumpster company to replace vandalized dumpster
- Report illegal garbage & weeds on public way or on private properties (Drug dealers can hide items here)
- Report illegal stickers & posters on public signs & structures

### **Prevent Illegal Snow & Ice on Sidewalks**

- Property owners must clear snow & ice from sidewalks by 10pm after snowfall (or 10am)
- Contact FMA to gain handyman assistance

### **City of Chicago Safety Numbers & Online Reporting**

- Chicago Police Dept. website: [chicagopolice.org](http://chicagopolice.org)
- Report emergencies & suspicious people/ vehicles: 911 (Use 911 proactively if you see anything suspicious)
- Non-emergency property crimes & vehicle crimes: 312-746-6000
- Graffiti removal service & garbage clean up: 311
- Fix streetlights, pothole repairs, signs missing, snow/ice on sidewalks: 311, 311 online or contact FMA

### **Stop crime permanently! Contact Fulton Market Association around the clock for safety assistance.**

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