



Citrus Heights Police Department

Be On the Look Out!!!

Motor Vehicle Theft



On average, in the United States a vehicle is stolen every 21 minutes. Not only does auto theft cost victims time and money, but it also costs society, because it drives insurance premiums up and many times stolen vehicles are used to commit other crimes.

Please take the following precautionary measures to minimize your chances of becoming a victim of this crime:

- **Never leave your vehicle parked unlocked or with windows open even if it is just for a few minutes**
- **Never leave your keys or garage door opener in your vehicle**
- **Never leave your unattended vehicle running**
- **Never leave valuables in your vehicle**
- **Park in well lit areas whenever possible**
- **Use a security system or device (ie. Vehicle alarm, tracking systems that can track the location of stolen vehicles or even shut off the engine/fuel supply to the stolen vehicle, devices that lock your steering wheel, steering column, or brakes) any time you leave your vehicle**
- **Copy down the license plate number and VIN on a piece of paper and keep it in a safe place. If your vehicle is stolen, the police will need this information for their report.**
- **If your vehicle is stolen, call the police department immediately**

Please report all suspicious people and vehicles to the Citrus Heights Police Department.

If need to report a crime, please contact the Citrus Heights Police Department at **916-727-5500**. If you witness a crime in progress, please **do not confront the suspect**. Immediately dial **9-1-1** or dial our 7 digit emergency using a cell phone **916-726-3015**.