

The Williamsburg Home Owners Association
Neighborhood Watch Program
Important Safety Tips
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- Get to know your neighbors! You'll more easily recognize someone who should not be on our property.
- Call 911 to report suspicious behavior or persons. Don't worry about whether or not an emergency situation has happened yet. The police will come and investigate the issue. That's their job.
- Write down the license plate numbers of any suspicious vehicles in the parking lot. If no wrongful activity occurs, no problem, but if later you find that something has occurred, the police will have more information to follow up on.
- Do not answer the door for solicitors or strangers.
- Always, Always, Always report theft of any kind to the police. Patrol officers are assigned to monitor communities based on criminal activity reported in the area. If you experience something and do not report it, we suffer as a community by not getting the patrol coverage we need to ward off crime.
- Be aware of your surroundings and pay attention to persons who may be following you into the property. If you feel you are being followed, stop on the other side of the gate and do not allow the car to follow you in, or continue through the property and do not park in your parking space.
- In the evening, keep blinds and drapes closed to protect your privacy.
- Do not leave your windows open when you are not home.
- Do not leave valuables in your car. Most of the crime that we have potential to see in our area falls under the category of "crimes of opportunity." Don't give thieves a reason to break into your car by leaving your purse, computer, GPS, cell phones, brief cases, etc. lying on the seat.