

Kentfield/Greenbrae Community Meeting Crime Prevention Tips (6/10)

For Your Residence

- Lock all doors and windows when leaving the house, including large dog doors
- Leave your front porch light on at night and consider installing motion lights on the sides and back of house
- Don't hide a key outside your home
- Keep laptop computers and other electronics put away and out of sight of windows and doors - keep a list of all electronics with necessary info (e.g. make, model, serial #)
- Keep jewelry put away and locked up
- Don't go to the door if you're not expecting anyone, or if you don't recognize the person knocking – report to the sheriff's office if concerned
- Always set your alarm and keep your alarm company updated on any new phone #'s
- Cut bushes that conceal your home
- Consider getting a locked mail box or PO Box
- Only hire licensed contractors who are bonded

For Your Car

- Always lock your car and DO NOT leave anything valuable inside (e.g. purse, cell, laptop)
- DO NOT leave mail or your housekeys in the car and keep a garage door opener out of sight
- DO NOT leave a hide-a-key on your car
- If you have a detached face plate on the stereo, take it with you – make sure you write down necessary info (e.g. make, model, serial #)

For Going on Vacation

- Have the post office hold your mail and stop newspaper delivery; reroute any package deliveries
- Close blinds and drapes and set your alarm
- Don't advertise that you will be away from home on social media (e.g. facebook, twitter)
- Provide a trusted friend or neighbor with information about your trip (e.g. dates, phone number)
- Sign up for vacation watch with the Sherriff's office (479-2311)
- Use timers to turn on lights and radios so that it looks like you are home
- Store items of high value in a safe place (e.g. bolted safe)

Report suspicious people or activity in your neighborhood to the County of Marin Sherriff's Office immediately at **479-2311**. Make sure the Sherriff's Office has your latest contact information (home/cell/work) and make sure you have the Sherriff's number in your phone. If you encounter a crime in progress, call **911**.