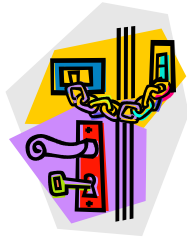


Tips To Keep Your Home and Business Safe:

Physical security constitutes 90 percent of burglary prevention.

If your building or home is locked and unauthorized entry is made difficult, time consuming and conspicuous, chances of a successful burglary are minimized.



Locks on all outside entrances and inside security doors should be double-cylinder deadbolts with movable collars.

They should be recessed into the door and should have at least a one-inch throw containing a hardened steel insert protected by a latch guard.

Padlocks should be made of hardened steel and mounted on bolted hasps. Keep them locked to prevent exchange. File off serial numbers to prevent new keys from being made.



Entry doors should be of solid construction, metal-lined and secured with heavy metal crossbars.

Door jams must be solid. Exposed hinges should be pinned to prevent removal.

Windows should have secure locks and burglar-resistant glass. Use heavy metal grates on all windows, except possibly display windows.

Good visibility should be maintained through windows; expensive items should be removed from displays before closing.

Lights must provide optimum visibility inside and out, with vandal-proof covers over the outside lights and power source.

The perimeter must be well-lit, especially around all entry points.



Keep all hedges and yard decorations neatly trimmed. These maybe used as a type of hiding place for those who intend on doing you harm.



Alarm systems should be supplied by a licensed alarm company with a central monitoring station. Check the system on a daily basis. Advertise its presence to deter break-ins.



Safes should be fire-proof, burglar resistant, anchored securely, and in plain view. Leave them open when empty, and use them to lock up valuables when you are away from your home or business.

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