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Hello Neighborhood Watch chairpersons,

There has been a rash of vehicle burglaries in North Pinellas in the past week. Locations included 2 county parks, fitness/gym locations and a family/youth type business parking lot. All the burglaries occurred in the daytime, prior to 5:00 pm, and the windows were smashed. Each time a purse/bag was stolen from the vehicle. Several of the vehicle were SUV types with dark tinted windows.

**PLEASE, do not leave any valuables in sight..... anywhere in your vehicle.**

Placing item behind tinted glass or in the floor boards is not enough to prevent these thieves. They are targeting places where people feel “safe” leaving personal items in vehicles and they are looking.... very hard. They may be in the parking lot and watching people as they exit their vehicles and strike after the person is out of sight.

**If you notice anything suspicious, no matter how minor, please report it by calling the non-emergency number at (727) 582-6200 or 9-1-1, if an emergency.**

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