



Good Morning,

Just a reminder to all the North County communities that vehicle burglaries continue. Below is a video from ABC News of a Palm Harbor home owner with 2 men in ball caps pulling the vehicle handles of cars in driveways.

Please be sure and lock your cars doors and take anything that is or could look valuable out of your car. Many of these thieves work in groups and target all types of different communities. This type of crime is being committed by males and females as well as juveniles and adults. Don't fall into the trap of thinking your neighborhood wouldn't be targeted for these types of crimes.

Gated or non-gated, condos & single family and all income communities are all targeted for these crimes. Although most of these vehicle burglaries are occurring at night, there are numerous vehicle burglaries in the daytime. Criminals frequent places where people don't want to carry personal items inside, like a gym. They also target places where people think they are 'safe' because they are only gone for a minute... like dropping off a child at school or daycare. Another area that people get sloppy with their security are state, county or city parks and athletic fields. The trees and other cars provide cover while the owners are off walking or watching sporting events.

Remember to:

- Remove any valuables
- Lock your vehicle.... every time

If you see or hear something suspicious, don't hesitate to call 9-1-1.

<http://www.abcactionnews.com/news/region-north-pinellas/palm-harbor/car-burglars-strike-large-portion-of-pinellas-county>

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