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Crime Prevention

## SAFETY TIPS - MULTI-FAMILY HOUSING

Whether you live in an apartment, condo or townhome community, you'll want to take the same basic security measures as you would a single family residence with some minor differences.

### IF YOU SEE IT, REPORT IT!

**Emergency: 911**

**Non-emergency: 303-795-4711**

### COMMUNITY GATES AND DOORS

Don't be complacent! Criminals can get into gated communities and secured garages. Keep vehicles locked and valuables hidden.

Criminals know to look for propped doors and gates. Propping doors for friends or pets can allow a criminal to victimize you or your neighbors.

Safety in secure communities is everyone's responsibility!

### WHAT IS SUSPICIOUS BEHAVIOR?

- Out of the ordinary for your area
- Unusual for the time of day
- Unexplainable behavior
- Look for suspicious 'behavior' not people.
- NEVER assume someone else has reported the behavior.

### PROTECT YOUR HOME

- Make sure you can see out the peephole in your door.
- If you have a porch light, use it! It is the cheapest form of security.
- Consider adding a security system with a loud alarm.
- Don't leave valuables in plain view of windows. Close the shades!
- Windows and doors should have two locking mechanisms. Close and lock windows at night and when you are gone.
- Secure patio furniture, grills and bikes. These are commonly stolen items.

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### PROTECT YOUR VEHICLE

- Keep personal items out of view or remove them from your vehicle. This includes electronics, key fobs, wallets, purses, briefcases, and employee badges.
- Roll windows up completely! Gaps leave an opportunity for criminals.
- Park in well-lit areas whenever possible.