

# WESTERN SPRINGS POLICE DEPARTMENT



## CRIME ALERT

Western Springs, IL-Date: June 24<sup>th</sup>, 2020

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The Western Springs Police Department is currently investigating seven motor vehicle burglaries and the report of a stolen vehicle. The incidents occurred between 1:00 AM and 6:00 AM on the morning of June 24<sup>th</sup>, 2020 in the 3900 block of Grand Avenue, 5000 block of Woodland Avenue, and the 5600 and 5700 block of Ridgewood Drive.

In all reported incidents, the unknown offender(s) entered through unlocked doors and ransacked vehicles, taking driver's licenses, credit cards, cash, purses, and other items of value. One of the vehicle burglaries involved entry into an open garage.

**\*\*\*PLEASE NOTE: ALL OF THESE INCIDENTS WERE THE RESULT OF UNLOCKED VEHICLES. DO NOT LEAVE YOUR VEHICLE UNLOCKED AND ALWAYS REMOVE YOUR KEYS\*\*\***

Don't be an easy target:

- Keep all vehicle doors and windows closed and locked at all times, even during quick errands. Lock the trunk, hatchback or tailgate to block access to your vehicle. Close all vents or wing windows and sunroofs. Always take your keys with you.
- If your vehicle has a built-in security system, use it.
- Remove visible items (cash, wallet, purses, and cell phones) from the vehicle or place them in the trunk. If you leave items visible in your vehicle, you are a target.
- Park your vehicle in an area that is visible to the public.
- Install security cameras around your residence to capture any potential criminal activity.

*Be a good neighbor:*

- A person looking into parked vehicles may be looking for a vehicle to steal or valuables left in plain view. If you see something of that nature, call the police for further investigation.

If anyone has information pertaining to this incident, please contact the Western Springs Police Department at 708-246-8540.

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