

# EBLAST FROM WARREN TOWNSHIP

## *Warren Township NJ Municipal Complex*



### **HOW TO PROTECT YOUR VEHICLE FROM BURGLARY**

Due to the recent incidents of motor vehicle burglaries that occurred in Warren Township over the weekend of February 27, 2016, the Warren Twp. Police provide the following helpful tips so you do not become the next victim:

Ensure that you always **LOCK YOUR VEHICLE** whether it's parked on your street, in your driveway or in your garage. A would-be thief will move on to the next vehicle if a vehicle is locked.

- Make sure your residence/business is **well lit** during the evening and overnight hours. Thieves typically look for darker areas to commit these burglaries for less visibility by passing motorists, neighbors and police.
- **DO NOT leave spare keys or anything of value in your vehicle.** Purses/wallets, electronics (iPods/iPads, laptops, GPS Units etc), vehicle valet keys, sunglasses, credit cards, cash and cell phones should NEVER be left inside your vehicle, especially in plain view. If you must leave such items in your vehicle we recommend you **conceal and/or secure** them properly, however we urge you not to leave them in the vehicle.
- Everyone should be aware that these **vehicle burglaries often lead to other crimes such as fraud and identity theft.** We suggest you limit the amount of personal information you keep in your vehicle as well as keep a record of all serial numbers of your valuables and store it in a safe place in your home.

While we know nothing is 100% full proof, we feel that by taking the precautions we've suggested you can seriously reduce the chance of being a victim of these types of crimes. **If you see any suspicious persons or activities in your neighborhood, call 9-1-1 immediately.**

**Criminals thrive on opportunity, DO NOT give them one.**

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