

DON'T LEAVE IN VEHICLE

- Laptops, computers, tablets, smartphones, GPS devices, or other electronics
- Camera equipment or gear
- Backpacks or gym bags
- Jewelry or watches
- Power tools and tool boxes
- Purses, wallets, or checkbooks
- Cash or spare change
- Personal identification like driver's licenses, passport, or insurance cards – someone could use these to seal your identity

TIPS TO PREVENT YOU FROM BEING VICTIMIZED

Thefts from vehicles can happen in parks, public parking areas, on street parking, and in garages. Over \$1 million dollars in property is stolen each year from vehicles in Saint Paul. Be smart and don't provide the opportunity for thieves – all they need is less than 20 seconds! Remember: Delay, deter, and detect.

DELAY

- Always lock your car and roll up the windows.
- Invest in wheel-locking lug nuts.
- Keep the lug nut key in a safe place where would be thieves can't access it – like in your trunk.
- Double check that your vehicle is locked. Jamming devices can be used to block your key fob signal.
- Consider investing in a key fob defender bag, which blocks jamming devices.

DETER

- Park in your garage if possible.
- Park in well-lit areas.

DETECT

- Use your car alarm if you have one.
- Watch for suspicious people loitering or lurking in the area of parked vehicles. Call 911 and provide as many details as possible about the individual, their mode of transportation, their license plate if possible, and the exact location.

WHAT TO DO IF IT HAPPENS TO YOU



Call 911 immediately if property is stolen from your vehicle.



Stay where your vehicle was parked if possible.



Prepare a list of what was taken for police.

REPORT A CRIME



Call **911** when a crime is in progress or you need an immediate officer response.



Call **651-291-1111** to request an SPPD response in a non-emergency situation.



File an **online police report** by scanning the **QR code** or visiting **stpaul.gov/police**.



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