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HELP US PREVENT AUTO BURGLARIES

For several years there has been a band of thieves moving throughout the country committing automobile burglaries. These thieves target areas such as sports facilities, day care centers, fitness centers and parks; any place where they are likely to find purses, wallets, gear bags, backpacks or valuables left inside of cars.

The vehicles are entered through an unlocked door or the window is simply broken out. Often times only the wallet or checkbook are lifted out of the purse creating a delay in the crime even being discovered.

To help prevent these types of crimes, valuables should be removed from the vehicle or placed out of sight preferably in the trunk prior to arriving at your destination. This will prevent the potential for the thief to simply watch where the valuables were placed and take them as soon as you leave the area. Burglars know that most valuables will be placed under the seats, in the console or covered by a blanket or clothing. Hiding valuables in this manner does not fool them.

These thieves are looking for quick easy scores. Taking these steps will lessen the odds of becoming victimized by this type of crime.