



# Clinton Police Crime Prevention Bulletin

***"Security begins with an "S" but starts with you!"***

Vehicle break-ins are a serious, but common crime that unfortunately many citizens find themselves being a victim to. Cars are broken into at all times of the day and night. Reduce the chances of you becoming a victim of a car break-in by following these simple steps:

➤ **Lock your vehicles at night.**

Thieves are opportunists that are looking for easy targets that can be accessed with as little noise as possible. Most car break-ins in Clinton involve an unlocked car.

➤ **Do not leave items of value lying visible in the passenger area of a vehicle.**

Previewing valuables allows a thief to "window shop" and that increases your likelihood of becoming a victim.

➤ **Remove all firearms from your vehicle when you go home at night.**

Vehicles do not make very secure gun cabinets.

➤ **Thieves are less likely to break in vehicles that are parked in well illuminated areas.** Homeowners should use outside lights especially motion detection lights to make the yard and driveway more visible at night.

➤ **When you notice suspicious persons or circumstances, call the police.** Officers recognize that proactive police work will be more beneficial in preventing crime and they are eager to respond.

**If you wish to report something that you think is suspicious, call 911.**

***If you have information about a crime:***

- Call the Clinton Police Department at (910) 592-3105
  - Tip line (910)590-3009
  - Text tipcpd + "your tip" to 847411



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