

GREEN VALLEY ARIZONA SHERIFF'S AUXILIARY VOLUNTEERS VACATION CHECKLIST

RESIDENTS LEAVING FOR VACATION OR FOR THE SUMMER MAY BE LEAVING A WELCOME SIGN OUT FOR BURGLARS OR OTHER POTENTIAL PROBLEMS. PLEASE TAKE THE TIME TO DO THE FOLLOWING:

1. CALL SAV (SHERIFF'S AUXILIARY VOLUNTEERS) AND REQUEST HOUSE CHECKS. THERE IS NO CHARGE FOR THIS SERVICE. ABOUT ONCE A WEEK, ALL YOUR DOORS AND WINDOWS WILL BE CHECKED. THEY ALSO LOOK FOR RUNNING WATER, BEE ACTIVITY ETC. PLEASE HAVE YOUR HOUSE # ON THE BACK OF YOUR HOUSE/GATE.
2. MAKE SURE ALL DOORS AND WINDOWS ARE LOCKED. USE TRACK LOCKS AND PIN SLIDING WINDOWS. IF POSSIBLE, USE SECURITY BARS OR WOODEN DOWELS ON SLIDING DOORS. LOCK SECURITY SCREEN DOORS.
3. CLOSE ALL DRAPES AND BLINDS.
4. SUSPEND ALL DELIVERIES AND FORWARD MAIL IF LEAVING FOR THE SUMMER.
5. ARRANGE FOR A LOCAL CONTACT. A KEYHOLDER WOULD BE BETTER (2 IF POSSIBLE). MAKE SURE THEY HAVE YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION.
6. ARRANGE FOR YARD CARE. ELIMINATE WEEDS, DEBRIS AND KEEP TREES AND SHRUBS TRIMMED.
7. TURN BUCKETS OR CONTAINERS UPSIDE DOWN SO THEY WON'T COLLECT WATER AND CREATE A BREEDING GROUND FOR MOSQUITOES. MAKE SURE **PONDS** OR **POOLS** ARE EMPTY OR **PROPERLY MAINTAINED**.
8. HAVE A NEIGHBOR KEEP WATCH FOR STRANGE OCCURRENCES. NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH PROGRAMS ARE VERY EFFECTIVE.
9. WARNING DECALS ARE AVAILABLE TO PUT ON FRONT AND REAR WINDOWS.
10. IT IS SAFEST NOT TO DISCONTINUE YOUR PHONE SERVICE.
11. IF POSSIBLE, USE ELECTRIC TIMERS WITH MULTIPLE SETTINGS TO TURN LIGHTS ON AT DIFFERENT TIMES AND ALSO A RADIO.

OTHER THINGS YOU CAN DO

12. OUTSIDE MOTION SENSOR LIGHTING CAN ALSO BE A DETERRENT.
13. ALL VALUABLES SHOULD BE MARKED WITH YOUR DRIVERS LICENSE NUMBER AND STATE.
14. HAVE A WRITTEN RECORD OF YOUR POSSESSIONS AND PHOTOS IF POSSIBLE.
15. AN ALARM SYSTEM IS ADDED SECURITY.
16. ROLLING SHUTTERS ARE EXPENSIVE, BUT OFFER GREAT PROTECTION.
17. WINDOW FILM REDUCES GLASS BREAKAGE AND VISABILITY FROM OUTSIDE.

REMEMBER, CALL SAV AT 520-351-6744 ONE WEEK BEFORE YOU LEAVE. ALSO NOTIFY SAV WHEN YOU RETURN.