

# Maplewood Police Department

## CRIME PREVENTION TIPS



### WHEN WALKING

- If possible don't walk alone during night hours
- Walk in groups whenever you can-there is always safety in numbers
- Let a family or friend know your destination and your estimated time of arrival or return
- Stay in well-lit areas as much as possible
- Always be aware of your surroundings. If you are wearing headphones, don't turn up the volume so high that you cannot hear outside noises
- Cell phones can be a distraction or a target for theft
- Wear bright clothing

### PACKAGE THEFT PREVENTION

- Have your package delivered to your work
- Have your package delivered to the home of a relative or friend that you know will be home
- Have your package held at your local post office for pickup
- Take advantage of "Ship to Store" option that many stores offer. Amazon offers a "locker" feature that allows you to pick up your package from a secure location
- Request that your package has signature confirmation upon delivery
- Ask your carrier to place package in an area out of plain view

### VEHICLE THEFT PREVENTION

- Lock your vehicle
- Do not leave the vehicle running unattended
- Do not leave keys or fob in the vehicle
- Do not leave valuables in plain view or in the car at all!
- Park in well-lit areas
- Do not leave personal identifying papers in your vehicle
- Consider theft prevention devices

***Please understand that even the best crime prevention efforts are sometimes not enough. It is important for you to report a crime or any suspicious activity immediately to the Maplewood Police Department @ 973-762-1234***

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***For more Crime Prevention Tips please contact the Maplewood Police Department's Crime Prevention Unit @ 973-762-3400 x7923***  
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