

## **Burglary Prevention Tips**

There has been an increase in burglaries in District Two recently from W. Cleveland Av. To W. Rogers St. and from S. 5th St. to S. 20th St. Please make sure to lock and secure your overhead garage door and service door. Please make sure you close and secure your overhead garage door and service door even if you are just leaving your garage unattended for a few minutes. In addition, look into installing sturdy deadbolts on your service door. Please look into installing exterior lighting or motion detection lighting systems in your backyard/garage area to deter any possible burglars. Also, please make sure to engrave identifying information (such as your driver's license number) on any equipment in your garage, especially snow throwers and lawn mowers. Also, look into running cable locks through your snow throwers, lawn mowers, and bicycles and run the cable through an eyebolt in one of your garage building studs to make it more difficult for a burglar to remove your property. In addition, please make sure to lock your doors and windows when you leave your home. In addition, look into installing sturdy deadbolts on all exterior doors. Also, do not place valuables where they will be visible from your doors or windows. Make sure you increase occupancy indicators (e.g., increase exterior and/or interior lights, leave your radio or TV on, etc.). Also, with the holiday season upon us please make the effort to not leave the empty boxes of your new gifts in plain view by your garbage cans to avoid "advertising" your new possessions. Please share this information with your neighbors. Please call the non-emergency number at 933-4444 if you notice any suspicious activity in your neighborhood. If you would like additional information about target hardening your residence or garage please contact District Two Community Liaison Officer Jesus Gloria at 935-7228.