(West St Paul Citizens on Patrol Program)

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Protecting Your Vehicle Community Bulletin

Vehicle break-ins are often crimes of opportunity. Few auto break-ins are random.

AUTO THEFT PREVENTION TIPS

- ✓ Always roll up your car windows, lock the doors and pocket the key.
- ✓ Lock your vehicle in your garage, take the keys out.
- ✓ Park in a well-lit busy area. Avoid leaving your vehicle in an unattended parking lot for a long period of time.
- ✓ Do not keep spare keys in the vehicle.
- ✓ Never leave valuables or packages visible; take them with you or put them in the trunk.
- ✓ Don't leave your garage opener or vehicle registration in your vehicle. If thieves stole these items they could use them to commit other crimes including identity theft or break & enter.
- ✓ Leaving car chargers or GPS holders visible may alert thieves you have valuables stored in the vehicle "out of sight".

Once criminals know there are unlocked vehicles in an area, they will keep coming back. Be a good neighbour; don't give thieves a reason to visit your neighbourhood.

Report any suspicious activity to the RCMP.

PROTECT YOURSELF ... HELP PROTECT YOUR COMMUNITY

Consider participating in a neighborhood crime deterrent like Citizen on Patrol Program

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