

BURGLARY FACTS

There are 1,500 to 2,000 residential burglaries per year in Portland, with an average loss per incident of \$3,200. Stolen items are rarely recovered, and most burglaries remain unsolved unless the offender is immediately apprehended.

Fortunately, there are a number of steps you can take to reduce the risk of your home being victimized or revictimized.



PROTECT YOUR HOME



Lock It Up

Many burglaries are the result of unforced entry. Secure all doors with a deadbolt, and lock windows—even when home. Lock doors connecting home and garage.

Unsecured items make easy targets for burglars.

Keep valuables out of sight and securely locked away. Keep records of your valuables, and mark them with identifiers.

Pack It Up



Light It Up

Burglars do not want to be seen! Install motion-sensing lights to cover driveway and walkways. Keep sightlines clear by trimming hedges and shrubbery.

Most residential burglaries happen when no one is home. Make your home look occupied by using a light timer. Don't post travel plans or photos on social media until you're back home.

Liven It Up



Secure It Up

Burglars are deterred by increased chances of detection. Consider installing visible cameras, as well as a home alarm system. Use these devices consistently!

Once a burglary has occurred, both the targeted home and those nearby are at higher risk. Talk to your neighbors and watch out for one another. Share these tips.

Talk It Up



Report all crimes. For crimes in progress, call 911. After an event, call the non-emergency line at 503-832-3333, or visit www.Portlandoregon.Gov/police

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