

# PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY

Portlanders report between 3,000 and 4,000 occurrences of theft from residential property each year. Unsecured items left outside of one's property stand an increased risk of being stolen, with bicycles, tools, documents and sports equipment frequently targeted.

Prevent future theft with the following tips.



## PREVENTING THEFT



### Store It

Thieves look for easy targets. Don't leave valuables unattended outside of your home. Store items indoors or locked safely within a garage or a shed.

Thieves do not want to be seen! Use exterior lights to keep your property well-lit. Install motion-sensing lights to illuminate pathways.

### Light It



### Register It

Take note of the make, model and serial number of important property and devices, registering them when possible. Place registration stickers on items.

Unclear property boundaries can draw thieves. Clearly define your property boundaries with low fencing or shrubs. Keep gates closed.

### Define It



### Protect It

Thieves are deterred by increased chances of detection. Consider installing exterior cameras, as well as home and car alarms. Use them consistently!

Get to know your neighbors, and watch out for one another.

Alert your neighbors of theft or suspicious activities, and share these tips.

### Share It



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](http://www.Portlandoregon.Gov/Police)

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