



*“Proactively delivers strategies that deter and prevent residential break and enters.”*

## Prevention Tips

*Most break and enters occur between 10:00AM and 5:00PM*

- Trim all shrubs and trees around your home to increase visibility of windows and doors
- Install on-inch dead bolts on all outside doors, including the garage
- Install anti-slide locking mechanisms (pin or rod that prevents windows from being pried open) on all easily-accessable windows
- Avoid leaving “tools” (loose bricks, garden tools, hammers) outside, as they may be used to break windows or pry doors
- Do not leave ladders, chairs or barbecues next to your house—it may allow access to higher windows or levels of your home
- Keep a radio or TV on when you are not at home (talk radio sounds like you are home)
- During extended absences, have a neighbour, friend or family member regularly pick up your mail, shovel your walks, mow your lawn and rotate lights left on in the house
- Get to know your neighbours and set up your own block watch program!

## Purpose

The Safe & Secure Homes initiative has been developed in response to increasing residential break and enters in N.E.T. targeted areas.

## Benefits

Safe & Secure Homes will help:

- reduce residential break and enters in your community
- reduce criminal motivation by making your home a less attractive target
- increase awareness, knowledge and participation around preventing break and enters
- provide residents with a free “tool kit” containing a video, household inventory checklists, safety audit forms and poster, discount coupons for home security products, and more

## Contact

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