
**DON'T LET
YOURSELF
BECOME A
VICTIM
OF A
VEHICLE
BREAK-IN**

Criminals are always looking for an easy opportunity to commit a crime. Don't make your items a likely target for a thief! If at all possible, do not leave valuables in your vehicle.

The major cause of vehicle break-ins is the owner leaving valuables clearly visible. Property is stolen from the trunk of a vehicle less often than property that is left on the front seat.



If you see a suspicious person hanging around your vehicle, call 911 immediately.

If you witness someone taking property from a vehicle, please call 911 or report it at the Patrol Support Unit at 455-6041.

If you prefer to remain anonymous, you can call the tip line of the

Central Virginia
CRIMESTOPPERS
1-888-798-5900.

You can give information that may help solve a crime and possibly receive a reward for the information you provide to the Crimestoppers line.

**AVOID
VEHICLE
BREAK-INS**

**Protect your
valuables**



The Lynchburg Police Department
905 Court Street
Lynchburg, VA 24504
(434-455-6070)

VEHICLE BREAK-INS ARE:

ANYONE ENTERING
YOUR VEHICLE
THROUGH LOCKED
OR UNLOCKED
MEANS AND
REMOVING YOUR
PROPERTY
WITHOUT YOUR
PERMISSION



Millions of dollars are
lost annually due to
vehicle break-ins.

TIPS TO AVOID BECOMING A VICTIM OF A VEHICLE BREAK-IN

- ◆ **LOCK YOUR VEHICLE**
even if it is in your driveway or
when you are going to be away
for just a few minutes.

- ◆ **HIDE YOUR PROPERTY**
In your trunk
In the glove box
Under a seat or towel
Leave it at home

- ◆ **PARK WHERE YOUR
VEHICLE CAN BE SEEN**
In a lighted area
Around other vehicles



USE COMMON SENSE

BE ESPECIALLY CAUTIOUS OF THE FOLLOWING:

- * Subjects hanging around in
a parking lot
- * Deserted areas
- * Subjects looking inside
vehicle windows
- * The fact that it only takes a
few seconds to “Smash and
Grab” items from your
vehicle!

REMEMBER...

**IT'S YOUR PROPERTY,
PROTECT IT!**

**NEVER LEAVE YOUR
VALUABLES IN PLAIN
SIGHT IN THE SEAT OF
YOUR VEHICLE!**
