

A Resource Guide for Victims of Residential Burglary

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Many burglary victims have questions and need information after the police officer has completed their report and left your home. Here are some answers and resource numbers that address the most frequently asked questions.

Who do I call to get my case number? You need to call the Southeast Precinct at (503) 823-2143 between the hours of 8:00am and 5:00pm.

How do I get a copy of the police report? Call Portland Police Bureau Records at (503) 823-0041. This is a taped recording that gives detailed instructions as to how to obtain your report.

How do I report additional stolen items to be added to my police report? Call the Police Non-emergency Telephone Report Unit at (503) 823-3333.

Where do I call to see if there is a detective assigned to my case? You can call Southeast Precinct at (503) 823-2143 to find out the name of the detective working your case.

What should I do if I locate some of my stolen property at a pawn shop or yard sale? Call Police Non-emergency at (503) 823-3333 and request an officer to go to the location and seize the property. You also need to be able to reasonably establish ownership (i.e. property listed on the original police report, receipts, serial numbers).

I think some of my personal information was stolen as well. Now what do I do? Contact the Police Telephone Report Writing Unit by calling the Police Non-Emergency at (503) 823-3333 and tell them you need to add information to your burglary report. Then call the ID Theft Hotline operated by the Federal Trade Commission at 1-877- IDTHEFT. You can also visit their website at www.ftc.gov/bcp/con1 and download a copy of *ID Theft: When Bad Things Happen To Your Good Name*. This workbook will take you through the steps to recover your good name and credit.

We recommend that you order a copy of your credit report and see if there has been any activity or accounts opened in your name that you are not aware of. It is extremely important that you scrutinize your bills and financial account activity for fraudulent activity. If you discover unauthorized activity file a police report by calling Police Non-Emergency at (503) 823-3333 and notify that bank or merchant immediately.

I'm a senior citizen on a limited income and I need help in improving security on my home. Contact the Portland Police Bureau Senior Locks Program at (503) 823-0723.

Where can I find an engraver to engrave my property? Contact your local library or their Web-site, <http://multcolib.org/>. Many branches have engravers available to check out for free.

After checking with my neighbors we would like to organize a Neighborhood Watch. Who do we contact? Contact your SE Portland Crime Prevention Coordinators at (503) 232-0010, Galina Boyechko at ext. 23 and Rosanne Lee at ext. 24.

Post Burglary Home Security Assessment

Below is a short Home Security assessment that the officer responding to your home has completed to indicate where you might make some security improvements to reduce the chance that your home will be burglarized again.

We at Southeast Precinct and Office of Neighborhood Involvement Crime Prevention Program encourage you to follow through on these suggestions as a step towards restoring your sense of security and to make your home more resistant to being a burglary target in the future. For more information on following through on suggested improvements contact your ONI Crime Prevention Coordinator listed on the reverse side for assistance.

Home Security Checklist

DOORS:

- Exterior doors locked? Yes No
- Exterior doors of solid –core construction at least 1 3/4” thick? Yes No
- Exterior doors fitted with Deadbolt 1” throw locks? Yes No
- Sliding glass doors locked and fitted with track locks, Charlie bar, or wooden rod? Yes No
- Side entry from attached garage equipped with deadbolt lock? Yes No

WINDOWS:

- Are all windows secured by pins or locks? Yes No
- Double-Hung sash windows pinned? Yes No
- Window air conditioner secured to window frame? Yes No
- Sliding glass windows fitted with Track locks or wooden rod? Yes No
- Basement windows locked and secured? Yes No

LIGHTING:

- Front and rear porch lights present and working? Yes No
- Motion-sensing lights along sides and rear of home? Yes No
- Motion-sensing or floodlight over garage entrance? Yes No

LANDSCAPING:

- Shrubbbery trimmed to below window-sill height? Yes No
- Shrubbbery trimmed away from entrances so that they are visible from street? Yes No
- Trees trimmed at least 4 feet from ground level to allow visibility from the street? Yes No

YARD, GARAGE & DRIVEWAY:

- Is the front or backyard fenced? Yes No
- Is fencing in good repair with locking gates? Yes No
- Are garage doors and side entrances locked? Yes No
- Are all garage windows covered? Yes No
- Ladders or other climbing access possibilities such as garbage cans, lawn furniture secured? Yes No
- Are bicycles, lawnmowers, power & yard tools stored in locked garage or shed? Yes No