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- II. ANNOUNCEMENT: Community Advisory – Residential Burglaries

The Livermore Police Department has seen a recent increase in daytime residential burglaries. Officers who have investigated these cases have seen similar methods of operation concerning how suspects are entering homes. The following information is intended to assist citizens in protecting their property through crime prevention techniques and is based upon the information gleaned from recent investigations.

- Do not leave any doors unlocked during the day or night. Some recent points of entry have been through unlocked side gates, unlocked side garage doors and / or unlocked interior garage doors.
- Trim trees and bushes that are blocking views to windows and doorways ensuring burglars do not have areas to hide as they work to break in.
- Install alarm systems and video surveillance at your residences and network with neighbors who may have video surveillance already installed.
- Leave lights or televisions on during the day and night in order to give the appearance that someone is home.
- Always note suspicious persons or vehicles in your neighborhoods, either reporting the incidents to LPD (non-emergency) or by keeping notes for future reference.

Most importantly, get to know your neighbors. Know what vehicles and persons reside or belong in the area so that suspicious situations are more easily recognizable. The Livermore Police Department can assist in this through facilitation of a Neighborhood Watch program. These programs are instrumental in establishing a sense of community and a close partnership with the police department. Those interested in Neighborhood Watch programs should contact Nicole Aguon at (925) 371-4987.

Report suspicious persons and vehicles to the Livermore Police Department dispatch center (non-emergency) at (925) 371-4987. Please be prepared to provide as much descriptive information as possible to include; race, height, weight, clothing, vehicle descriptions, license plate numbers, and other identifying marks.

Any persons with information concerning the latest burglaries may leave an anonymous message at 925-294-7506. Please provide as much information as possible in reference to suspects and how the information is known.

In the case of emergency, please dial 911.

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