



AUTO THEFT PREVENTION

HALLOWEEN Safety Tips

- ξ Go Trick or Treating with a grown-up
- ξ Only visit people you know
- ξ Make sure your costume lets you see and hear so you can see and hear cars.
- ξ Make sure you costume fits so you do not trip.
- ξ Wear brightly colored clothing or put glow in the dark strips on your costume.
- ξ Carry a flashlight.
- ξ Cross the street at the corners and never in-between parked cars.
- ξ Let a trusted grown-up check all your treats before you eat them.



Look for the Community Services Unit at Boo at the Zoo at the Lincoln Children's Zoo October 26th-30th.

There are not many moveable objects that can be stolen that are worth more than a car. This can be monetarily but also due to inconvenience. Without our vehicles, we are left to find other rides to work, appointments, or school. Here are a few pointers to help you avoid being the victim of an auto theft.

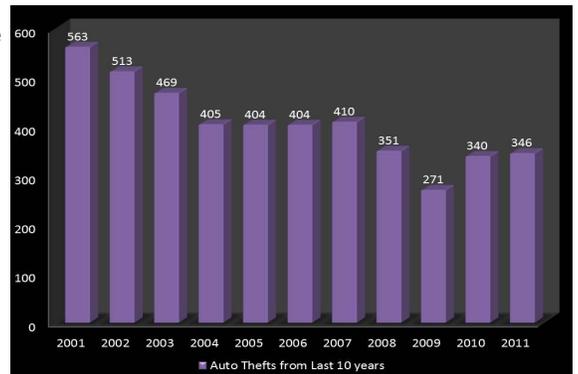
- Park in well lit areas
- LOCK YOUR DOORS!!
- Don't leave your belongings in plain sight.
- Install some kind of aftermarket anti-theft protection
- Keep your windows rolled up while the vehicle is parked.
- Don't leave hide-a-keys on your vehicle.
- Don't leave your vehicle running while unoccupied.

- Don't leave your keys in the vehicle or ignition.
- Use a GPS tracking system for the vehicle (On-star, etc.)

By practicing a few simple steps you can avoid becoming a victim. Between September 2011 to March 2012 (6months) there were 190 auto thefts city wide. Ten of those were occurred when the victim left their vehicle running and unoccupied. Twenty-five were due to keys being left in the vehicle. In the other cases the

the ignition or had access to the keys in another way. From 2001 to 2009 there was a steady drop in the amount of auto thefts in Lincoln. In the last two years we have seen a rise in auto theft again. Let's work together to educate each other and avoid becoming a victim. Remember that criminals may decide to take a vehicle simply because the opportunity presented itself. Protect yourself and DENY them the opportunity.

suspect broke the window or the vehicle was already unlocked to gain entry. The suspect either manipulated



SEASONAL MUNICIPAL ORDINANCES

14.80.110 Snow and Ice Removal

Every owner or occupant of any house or building shall clear the sidewalks in front of such lot before 9:00am the morning after the snow storm. Punishment for violating this ordinance is a misdemeanor. Congested Districts such as downtown must keep the sidewalks clear all day. If you observe a violation you can report this to the Sidewalk Office at 402-441-7541.

14.92.040 Snow, Ice, and Refuse Matter in Public Right of Way

It shall be unlawful for any person to throw water, grass, leaves, branches, hay, straw, paper, Parings, ashes, sand, mulch, or other refuse or debris in any public way, street, highway, alley, roadway, right of way, or sidewalk. Furthermore, no person shall stack, mound, or otherwise place snow or ice, or cause snow or ice to be

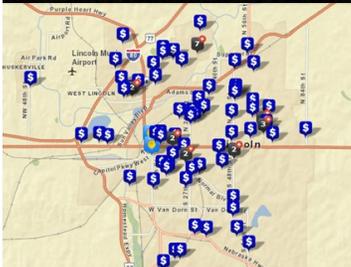


placed in any street, highway, alley, roadway, right-of-way, or sidewalk.

If you observe a violation you can report it to the Police Department at 402-441-6000.

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