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The Eye



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PACKAGE THEFTS continue to be a highly reported crime during the holiday season. A review of package thefts showed that there have been already **136 package thefts in 2019**. In **2018** there were a total of 115, which was a decrease of 18% compared to **2017** of 176.

Package Thefts during Holiday/Shopping Season Nov. 1-25, 2019 there have been 13. During **Nov. 1– Dec 31, 2018**, there were 43 which was a 64% decrease compared to 2017. 37% of all package thefts occurred in Nov/Dec. During **Nov. 1-Dec. 31, 2017** there was a total of 120, in which 68% of all the package thefts occurred in Nov/Dec..

DELIVERY OPTIONS ARE AVAILABLE TO DECREASE YOUR CHANCES OF PACKAGE THEFT!

- Have package delivered to an UPS Access Point Location for secure keeping
- Leave with neighbor
- Provide Delivery Instructions
- Hold at UPS Will Call-UPS Customer Center
- Amazon Delivery Options:
- Amazon Locker (Whole Foods at 60th and O St.) May be size restrictions
- Amazon In-Home Delivery (requires the purchase of Amazon equipment)
- UPS: Via UPS (UPD My Choice) account:
- FedEx: FedEx Delivery Manager :
- Hold at Location- 20 locations FedEx will deliver to and hold at location, including various Walgreens
- Provide Delivery Instructions
- Have a family member pick up your package



AUTO THEFTS

As the weather gets colder, we continue to have reports of stolen vehicles due to them being left running with the keys inside and unattended. It only takes a few seconds to get into your unlocked vehicle and drive away. If you're just "running in" to somewhere, your vehicle will still be warm upon your return. These stolen vehicles are often involved in accidents, gas drive-off's, shoplifts, larcenies from other vehicles, robberies, assaults and other crimes. Think twice before leaving your vehicle running and unattended.

**DON'T
DRINK
AND
DRIVE**

As you celebrate with family and friends during the holiday season, please remember to celebrate responsibly. If you are going to partake in consuming alcoholic beverages, PLEASE drink responsibly and make arrangements for a sober driver. There will be extra law enforcement focused on impaired driving during the month of December. Last December, the Lincoln Police Department arrested **108 drunk drivers. 2 were arrested for Driving under the influence of drugs, and there were 2 felony DWI's.**

Holiday Safety Tips!



Dispose of your presents boxes by breaking down the boxes and packaging as to not give away the wonderful gifts your family received.



Place your shopping bags in the trunk or of your vehicle to be left out of sight. Remove from vehicle when you get home.

Be very careful about posting any status updates or public announcements on blogs, social media, or home business sites about travel plans.



If you are leaving home for the holidays, place your lights on a timer to appears that someone is home.



Never leave your wallet/purse unattended while shopping. Carry a minimal amount of cash and credit cards.

The Lincoln Police Department wishes you and yours a Happy and Safe Holiday Season!

The Holiday Season can be difficult, if you need help, please call us at 402-441-6000/911 or the 24 hour Mental Health Crisis Line at 402-475-6695

