Preventing Theft from your Car

The number one Prevention Tip:

DO NOT LEAVE YOUR BELONGINGS IN PLAIN VIEW!

Don’t store valuables like phones, computers, wallets, purses, jewelry, or packages in your car—not even for a minute. Bring your possessions with you.

Try to park in well-lit areas where your car will be visible to garage attendants and others in the lot.

In the warmer months, do not leave your windows open to keep the car cool (do not leave children or pets in the car either).

In colder months, do not leave your car unattended while running to warm it up.

If you are worried about vehicle break-ins, you can empty your car of all belongings and leave all the storage areas open to show there is nothing to steal.

Motor Vehicle Larcenies in Burlington

There is an average of 438 larcenies from motor vehicles per year.

About 37% of these were forced entry.

About 29% of these were unsecured and another 22% showed no signs of forced entry.

UP TO HALF OF MOTOR VEHICLE LARCENIES MIGHT HAVE BEEN PREVENTED WITH BASIC SECURITY MEASURES