

With very little time and effort, you can make a huge difference in your vulnerability to auto burglary, auto theft and carjacking.

## **AUTO BURGLARY**

- Always close and lock your windows and doors
- Park in well lit areas
- Set your vehicle alarm
- Do not leave belongings in your vehicle—if you do, make sure they are locked and out of plain sight
- Do not leave personal information in your vehicle
- Do not leave your registration and proof of insurance in your vehicle—instead, carry it with you should you need to present it to law enforcement
- Do not put your home address in your GPS unit



### ***Most Common Items Stolen***

*GPS units, cell phones, purses, laptops, gym bags, backpacks, loose change, stereos, CDs*

## **AUTO THEFT**

- If possible park your vehicle in your garage and lock the garage door
- Never leave your vehicle running or the keys in the ignition
- When valet parking or leaving a vehicle for service, provide only the vehicle key
- Use a security device, like a steering wheel lock or a gear shift column lock
- Use paint or an indelible marker to put the vehicle identification number (VIN) under the engine hood, trunk lid and on the battery



## **CARJACKING**

- Be aware of your surroundings, such as suspicious people and vehicles
- Look inside your vehicle prior to entering
- Park in well-lit areas with good visibility
- Lock your doors immediately when you get into your vehicle
- Have your keys ready in hand when approaching your vehicle
- When stopped in traffic, always leave enough room to maneuver and escape, if necessary
- If the carjacker has a weapon, give them the vehicle no questions asked. You are worth more than a vehicle!

