

Officer Chris Tovar, Surprise Police Department:

As a reminder to everybody for their residents reference vehicle thefts and burglaries. If possible, park your vehicles in your garage. If you are unable to park in your garage, try to park in the driveway with your exterior lights on overnight. Also, if you have a light pole that is out on your block, please contact the local power company such as Arizona Public Service. Their online service to report a light pole out is:
<http://www.aps.com/en/globalservices/outagecenter/Pages/home.aspx>.

If you are unable to park your vehicles in your garage, please remember a few tips.

Please lock your vehicles, and take personal belongings out of your vehicles, including garage door openers. Other common items taken, which have been seen in police reports besides garage door openers, are laptop computers, GPS devices, wallets, purses, cell phones and various other items.

The key behind this is to understand that criminals do not like to be seen or heard, so if your items are not visible inside your vehicle and your doors are locked, chances are lowered that you will be a victim of auto burglary.

Thank you,

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