CRIME ALERT

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With warm weather arriving, it will bring along those looking to take advantage of easy targets for theft and burglary at UCSF. Automobiles become especially vulnerable since thieves know them to be a quick source for easy-to-sell merchandise with small risk of getting caught in the act. Don’t be an easy target!

Automobile Safety Tips

• An unlocked car is an open invitation to a car thief or burglar. Always lock your car including the tailgate. Always engage your car alarm if your vehicle is so equipped.
• Close all windows – professional thieves have tools that can unlock cars through the smallest openings. This includes side vent/wing windows.
• Remove all valuables from your car interior before exiting. Thieves will break into your car for the smallest item visible to them. This includes loose change, CDs, cell phones/chargers. Take valuables with you or lock them in the trunk.
• Park in well-lit areas whenever possible and avoid deserted streets and alleys.
• Avoid attaching a name tag with personal information on your key ring. If your keys become lost or stolen, it will lead the thief directly to your car and your home.
• Keep your doors locked while driving and always shut your ignition off and lock your doors at quick stops such as a gas stations or convenience stores.

Help fight crime by reporting suspicious activity to UCSF PD at 476-1414 or 9-911 for in-progress events

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