

2024 Holiday Safe Shopper Initiative

As we begin the holiday shopping season, there is always an increase in commercial volume both in stores and online. As residents start their shopping, we must all be mindful of our surroundings. Remind businesses never to keep packages piled in their stores. Customers should not leave valuables on the front seat of their car or leave a car running as they run into a store. Lock pocketbooks, packages, or other valuables in the trunk, and always remain vigilant when walking to your car. Emphasize making safety a priority.



AREAS OF CONCERN:

- **High-Risk Retail Locations**
Many small businesses are susceptible to theft during this time of year.
- **Convenience Stores**
Many thefts and or robberies occur at small (one or two employee) stores. Most of the robberies occur during the midnight shift.
- **Cell Phone Retail Stores**
Secure the merchandise!
- **Shoe Stores**
Release dates for shoe drops can be found online. Secure the shoes.
- **Gaming Stores**
Secure the merchandise!
- **Delivery Drivers and Couriers**
As online shopping increases delivery drivers need to be mindful of locking and securing their packages. Keep cameras inside and outside of your truck. Have a drop safe for cash and a sign that states Driver carries no cash.

OFFICERS WILL:

- **Monitor areas where delivery vehicles are parked.**
- **Pay special attention to neighborhoods with high frequency deliveries of packages.**

PREVENTION MEASURES:

Increased Foot and Vehicle Patrols.

Concentrate on areas with heavy foot traffic and shopping centers.

Engage with Store Owners and Employees.

Build Partnerships by discussing safety concerns and sharing prevention tips.

Community awareness.

Encourage residents and shoppers to report suspicious activity immediately.

STAY SAFE AND LET'S WORK TOGETHER TO ENSURE A SECURE HOLIDAY SEASON.



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