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Vehicle and mailbox theft prevention

The COVID-19 pandemic encouraged people to take advantage of the beautiful trails in Cherry Hills Village. Arapahoe County is still under Level Yellow so keep in mind that social distancing guidelines, staying six feet apart from other walkers, are important for everyone's safety on the trails. As a result of the increased outdoor activity, property crimes and trespasses have increased in the metro area, including Cherry Hills Village. Here are a few tips to prevent these crimes so a walk outdoors does not end with a phone call to the police department.

- Roll your windows up, close your sunroof and lock all your doors.
- Do not leave your garage door opener in plain view.
- Do not leave any valuables in plain sight. If you have to leave valuables in the vehicle, place them in the trunk of the car or out of sight before you arrive at your destination.
- Do NOT hide valuables under the seat or in the glove box of your vehicle. Thieves know about these common hiding places.

Prevent package and mailbox thefts with the following tips:

- Schedule packages to arrive at your residence when you know you will be at home.
- Consider alternate delivery locations, such as a neighbor, a family member or an office location.
- Sign up for Informed Delivery from the USPS, which includes a tracking option for packages. For more information or to sign up go to <https://informedelivery.usps.com/box/pages/intro/start.action>
- Sign up for UPS My Choice to receive notifications about the progress of packages. For more information or to sign up go to <https://www.ups.com/us/en/help-center/sri/ups-my-choice-delivery-alerts.page>
- USPS, FedEx and UPS allow customers to indicate where to leave the package if you are not home (i.e. back door, neighbor or garage).
- Amazon Locker is a service where your packages are routed to a locker drop off. Once the package has been delivered, the customer will receive an alert and has three days to pick up the package.
- Ask for signature delivery and insure your packages.
- Vacation mail and package hold are offered for free online by USPS and FedEx. The packages will be held at terminals or delivery centers for a period of time.

Be a good neighbor! If you notice something suspicious, please report it immediately!