

Reporting Crime

- If it's a burglary, do not touch anything to prevent contamination of fingerprints.
- Stay calm.
- It is important not to panic even though you might be scared.
- Call the police immediately!
- On the phone, give the police the most important information first – the location of the crime, the type of crime, whether there are injuries, where the criminal went, etc.
- Write down what you saw and heard IMMEDIATELY!
- Tell the police what happened, when, where, and who was involved.
- Describe the suspect: sex, race, age, height, weight, hair color, distinctive characteristics (facial hair, scars, tattoos, accent, etc.).
- Describe any vehicle involved: color, make, model, year, license plate, and special features such as stickers, dents, or decals, as well as direction of travel from the crime scene.