



Safety & Security



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LCPS Parking Lot Safety

Because of the recent time change many of us are walking in parking lots after dark. Please follow these parking lot safety tips to avoid becoming a victim.

- Many believe that once they reach their vehicles, they are safe. This is not true, because a vehicle offers a place for thieves to hide and obscure vision for other pedestrians.
- When you get to your vehicle, take time to look around and behind you; avoid tunnel vision and forgetting your surroundings. When thieves see that you have lost track of where you are and seem disoriented, they are more likely to attack.
- When walking to and from your vehicle, use your possessions as defensive distractions, and have them ready. Items like keys and purses won't beat weapons, but they will fend off weaponless thieves.
- Travel in groups or while other pedestrians are around if possible. If you are alone stay in your vehicle until you see trustworthy people walk by, and walk near them.
- Park as close to your destination as possible and if you are worried about the area stay in areas that are lighted and come out only during the day time.
- Report suspicious looking and/or loitering people. Talk to security/police when they drive by or make a call from inside a building.
- Do not have valuables in plain view inside your vehicle.

Most importantly, be aware of your surroundings. Always keep an eye out for trouble and take measures to avoid becoming a victim.

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