City Of Berkeley Lake

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Population of 1,983 reported in 2014

Initiating A Police Report/ Investigation.

- The first step to document an incident is to call 911.

- Even if a police report is not generated, our CAD system is a form of documentation, that a dispatcher/ call taker and an officer can type notes, or add information regarding the call.

- The CAD can be obtain through an open records request.

- CAD is not an official Police Report, but it is documentation if the concern does not meet the requirements for a police report.

Initiating A Police Report/ Investigation Cont.

- When an incident occurs, and police officers respond, they will investigate the concern and determine if a police report is needed.

- Once that is determined they will collect the necessary contact information for all parties involved.

- While on scene, depending on the type of crime and evidence present, they will go through their chain of command to request CSI and the appropriate detective/ investigator to respond to the scene, for follow up.

Initiating A Police Report/ Investigation Cont.

- CSI will collect any evidence on scene, and submit it for processing.

- Detectives/ Investigators will conduct interviews with all parties involved as they begin to search for leads in the case, or to effect an arrest.

- This can be a tedious process, and can take, hours, days, weeks or even months. Each case varies.

Initiating A Police Report/ Investigation Cont.

- The key for cases to be solved without unnecessary delay, is the participation of all complainants, while providing all necessary and pertinent information as soon as possible.

- When the community comes together and works together while law enforcement investigates the concerns, it helps with the case solvability, and deters additional criminal activity.

- Remain vigilant, and keep a strong line of communication.

Online Reporting.

- www.gwinnettcounty.com

- Can Report Car break-ins, Identity theft, scams, fraud, and some property damage (depending on the circumstance revolving around it.

- Cannot report persons crimes (assaults etc.) accidents/ hit and runs online, theft of a firearm, or any incident that has a suspect, suspect description or evidence that is tied to the case.

Online Reporting Cont.

- Once the report is submitted, the complainant is provided with a "T" case number.

- Then the report is checked by a Sworn Officer (Sgt.).

- If the report is approved, the complainant is provided another case # and an auto PDF copy of the report is provided.

Reporting Suspicious Activity

- Get to know your neighbors. They can be your eyes while you are away.

- Watch out for your neighbors and encourage them to do the same for you and your community.

- IF U SEE SOMETHING, SAY SOMETHING!!!!

- Never hesitate to call the Police.

Suspicious Persons & Vehicles Cont.

Entering Auto.

- Keep all doors locked, and windows rolled up completely.

- Keep all things out of plain view, including: aux cords, chargers, loose change, wallets, book bags, laptops etc.

- Best practice, have the car look as it did when you purchased it off the lot. This will gives the impression the car is a clean and empty car.
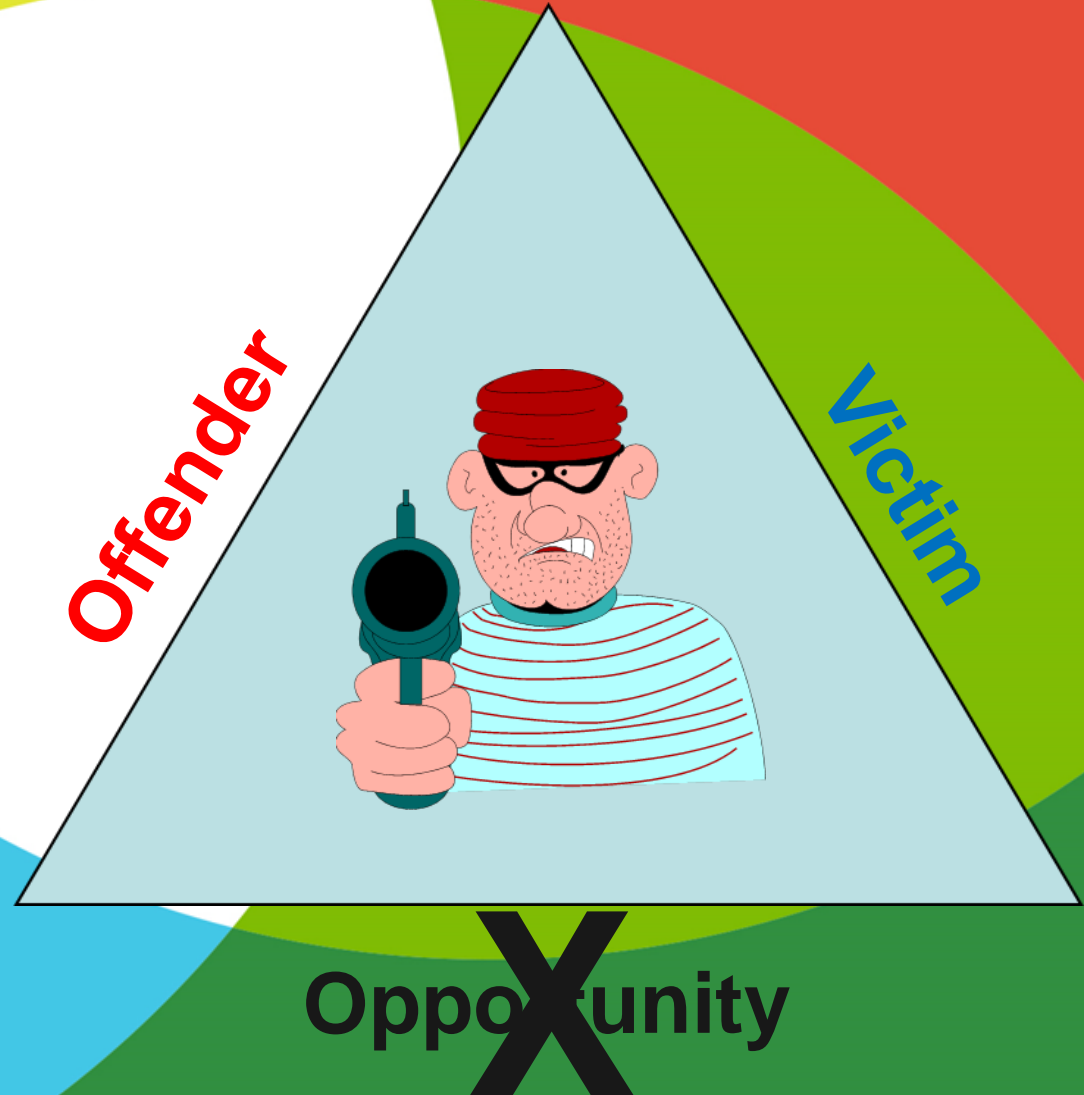
Crime Prevention

Is the act of stopping crime before it occurs.

Burglary

Is the entry into a building or dwelling with an intent to commit a felony or theft therein.

The Crime Triangle

For a crime to occur, three elements must be present:

Offender

Victim

Opportunity

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Burglary Prevention Cont.

- Most burglaries occur in the daytime when no one is home.

- They also occur more often in the summertime.

- A burglary occurs every 15 seconds in the United States.

Burglary Prevention Cont.

- Burglaries often occur by force such as kicking a door or breaking a window.

- Most burglars prefer homes that have easy access like open windows and unlocked doors.

Burglary Prevention Cont.

- Burglars are often looking for money that can be spent right away.

- They are also looking for items that are portable and can be sold quickly like:

1. Laptop computers
2. Cell Phones
3. Guns/Knives
4. Jewelry

Burglary Prevention Cont.

- Keep a photo copy of all of your valuables, including jewelry, serial numbers, and things that are of importance to you.

- Keep multiple copies of your records.

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Door Security.

- Nearly 2 out of 3 break-ins involve forced entry where the lock does not hold, and the door can be kicked or pried open easily.

- The garage and the back doors are targeted.

- They are easy to access and provide concealment.

- Make sure to ALWAYS keep your doors locked!

Lighting

- Burglaries usually happen during the day when homeowners are at work, but they also happen at night when homeowners appear to be away or on vacation.

- A home is vulnerable at night when lights are left off. It gives the appearance that no one is home.

Lighting Cont.

- One of the easiest and inexpensive ways to appear to be home, is by putting interior lights and electronics on a timer.

- Schedule your lights to come at odd times in the middle of the night and in select rooms like the kitchen and the bathroom.

Lighting Cont.

- Maintaining adequate exterior lighting is just as important as interior lighting.

- Burglars are more hesitant to approach a well lit home knowing that they could be visible to someone in the area.

Use interior lighting to show signs of life/activity in the residence.

Use timers and motions detectors for outside lighting.

Place lighting at all corners of the residence.

Place lights out of reach avoid them from being broken or removed.

Make sure porches, entrances, and yards are well lit.

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- Keep shrubs and bushes trimmed away from windows and doors.

- Doors and windows in full view is a deterrent for burglars.

- The exterior of the home should be free from places that a burglar could hide.

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Mail

- Tell your post office/mail carrier when your going out of town so that they can hold your mail.

- Ask a neighbor to remove any mail from the mailbox or newspapers from the driveway.

Alarms

- Alarm systems deter burglaries. They increase a burglars fear of being caught.

- When an alarm is activated, the alarm company will verify the alarm with the homeowner and immediately notify the police department.

- Burglars are more hesitant to approach a residence that has an alarm system and are more likely to move on to a residence that does not have one .

Alarms Cont.

- Posted alarm company signs and window decals help to deter burglars.

- Even if the alarm system is not activated.

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Video surveillance at a home can allow the homeowner to view the interior and exterior of their property 24 hours a day, using an app on a smartphone.

Cameras Cont.

- Doorbell cameras allow the homeowner to answer the door from any location.

- Using an app, it allows the homeowner to speak to the person at the door.

- It allows the homeowner to see and record the person standing in front of the camera.

Cameras

- Can assisted Law Enforcement to effect an arrest when footage is provided.

- Allows you to storage footage in the "cloud"

- Motion detection to activate camera can reach up to 30 feet.

- Footage can be viewed from a smartphone.

City of Berkeley Lake Statistical Comparison for 2017 & 2018

Description	2017	2018
Homicide	0	0
Robbery	0	0
Assault	0	0
Sexual Assault	0	0
Residential Burglary	5	9
Commercial Burglary	4	0
Arson	0	0
Entering Autos	11	13
Motor Vehicle Thefts	1	0

Remember…..

- If you **SEE** something, **SAY** something.

- Call Gwinnett County *911* for emergencies.

- Gwinnett County Non-Emergency.

- **770.513.5700.**

- **www.crimemapping.com**

See Something?
Say Something!
911
EMERGENCY

Non-Emergency	770.513.5700
Animal Control	770.339.3200
Battered Women Helpline	770.963.9799
Dept. of Family & Children Services (DFCS)	678.518.5500
Code Enforcement/Quality of Life	770.513.5020
Clerk of Courts	770.822.8100
Crime Free Multi-Housing Unit	770.513.5116
Crime Prevention Unit	770.513.5119
Gang Hotline	770.513.5433
Juvenile Court & Intervention Programs	770.619.6300
Gwinnett Department Of Transportation	770.822.7400
Gwinnett Fire Department	678.518.4800
Narcotics & Illegal Drugs Tip Line	770.962.6272
Permits	678.377.4300
Poison Control Center	404.616.9000
Records	770.513.5000
Recorder's Courts (Traffic)	770.822.8815
Robbery Tip Line	770.513.5800
Sexual Assault Center	770.476.7407
Substance Abuse & Mental Health Helpline	1.800.662.4357
Suicide Prevention Helpline	1.800.784.2433

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