



# News Release

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**Media Advisory: Daytime Burglaries**

Alachua County detectives are working with agents from the Florida Department of Law Enforcement and detectives from Citrus, Levy and Marion Counties after identifying a pattern of daytime burglaries. These burglaries are mainly occurring during the day in rural areas and they appear to have begun in mid-January. Homes are being entered by force and then ransacked before the suspect(s) leave. The burglar(s) are targeting, but not limiting themselves to guns, jewelry, and cash.

Detectives are asking residents to report any suspicious activity immediately.

- If your home is equipped with an alarm system, set it when you are gone.
- Make sure all doors and windows are locked.
- Keep your garage door shut and locked.
- Try to make your home look occupied when you are not home.
- Ask trusted neighbors to watch your home when you are away.
- Join our crime-fighting team by joining our Sheriff's Electronic Eye (S.E.E.) Camera Registry Program.

If you witness suspicious activity please call 9-1-1 or (352)-955-1818 and report it. Callers may also remain anonymous and be eligible to receive a reward up to \$1,000 by calling Crime Stoppers at (352) 372-STOP (7867).

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