### Remember

- Register your electronics and bicycle with the University Police Department.
- A registered item is more likely to be returned to its original owner.
- 3. Don't leave valuable property unattended. Keep items with you!
- 4. Keep an inventory or list of your property. Include the make, model, color, serial number, etc.
- 5. Lock the door before leaving your office or room.
- Keep your valuables out of view in your vehicle, office, or residence hall room.
- Take advantage of the services provided by the University Police Department.

Contact the Crime Prevention Unit if you have additional questions.

> Phone: (573) 884-7809

# University Police Department

## Theft Prevention Information





UNIVERSITY POLICE 901 Virginia Avenue Columbia, MO 65211 Phone: (573) 882-7201 Fax: (573) 882-6636 mupolice.missouri.edu What <u>YOU</u>Need To Know About Theft At MU.

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### **Theft Prevention Programs Offered**

What Can I Do?

### **Theft Occurs Everywhere!**

A theft might occur in a residence hall room, academic building, office, vehicle, library, etc.

Don't assume that your items are safe and become complacent.

### **Record All Important Information!**

You should record the serial numbers for each piece of property that you own or possess. You should also record the type of property, manufacturer, model number, color, etc....

It is important to record the account numbers for each credit card or ATM/debit card that you possess. It is also important to record the phone number needed to report a lost or stolen credit card. You should make a photocopy of the front and back of the credit cards.

### 1. Bicycle Registration

A Registered bicycle is more likely to be recovered if lost or stolen. Your bicycle's serial number is entered into a computer system to keep in case your property is lost or stolen. You will receive a sticker that you can affix to the frame of your bicycle.

#### 2. Electronics Registration

The University Police Department will register your electronics and enter the important information into our computer system to keep in case your property is lost or stolen.

#### 3. Inventory your property

Make an inventory list of the important property in your wallet/purse. An example inventory is available at: <u>mupolice.missouri.edu/cp/</u>

Make an inventory of the valuables in your room.

### 4. These Programs are FREE!!

The entire process is free and available on the MUPD website: <u>mupolice.missouri.edu</u>

- 1. Keep personal items with you and don't leave valuables unattended in public areas.
- 2. Take advantage of the free programs offered by your University Police Department.
- 3. Lock up your office, vehicle, desk, locker, or room.
- Don't leave valuable items out in the open. A potential thief will look for items to take and then steal from the easiest targets.
- 5. If it is valuable to you than it is valuable to a thief.

The University of Missouri Police Department needs your assistance to decrease the number of thefts that occur on campus. It takes every member of the MU community working together to be successful. The university Police Department will work hard to recover your property, arrest the offenders, and return your property. The University Police Department needs your help to accomplish these tasks.