

SUGGESTED STEPS HOME OWNERS SHOULD TAKE TO PROTECT THEIR HOME

- Make your home unattractive to burglars
- Install a gate and fence (if necessary) to prevent vehicles from approaching your residence
- Leave at least one car in the driveway
- Lock all doors and windows during the day
- Remove all hidden keys outside
- Leave the radio or TV on when you leave
- Keep blinds closed
- Bring trash cans in immediately or get a neighbor to do it
- Get a security screen door
- Get a surveillance/security system
- Have big barking dogs that aren't restrained within the home or garage if possible
- Keep gates closed & locked
- Tell your neighbors when you are going on vacation or will otherwise be away from your residence for a period of time
- Initiate a stop delivery of your newspaper while on vacation
- Report any suspicious activity in the neighborhood to the Sheriff's Department at 798-7000 and your neighborhood watch Block Captain (see www.SMRNA.org/Volunteers)