

# Neighbourhood Watch

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### Car & Home Security

While the Covid-19 pandemic has caused many changes to our lives, it has led to a decrease in property crime. Break and enters and car thefts are often crimes of opportunity. With residents staying home more frequently, it seems these opportunities have decreased and the risk of getting caught has increased.

**Here are some tips to ensure the continued safety of our homes and vehicles:**

**Utilize CPTED and other home security best practices** - Property owners should continue to maintain their CPTED practices to ensure visibility of entry points and the image of a lived-in home.

**Invest in added layers of security** - Homeowners can consider purchasing extra home security systems, motion light detectors, and cameras. To further enhance vehicle security, look into purchasing Faraday bags for car keys, purchasing steering wheel locks, or tracking devices. These are all suggestions that can further enhance your CPTED practices.

**Remove any temptation to commit crime against your property** - Valuables should be well hidden and behind additional security mechanisms if necessary. If possible, park vehicles in a garage or well-lit areas, and place keys in



Though crime appears to be decreasing, we want to continue to be vigilant in our efforts to keep that trend going!



# New Partnerships



Mississauga and Peel Region is home to so many great community and social services. Safe City Mississauga is committed to diversifying our partnerships across the community. This month, we'll be showcasing our friends from Peel Children's Aid Society!

Peel Children's Aid's mission is to ensure the safety and well-being of children and strengthen families through partnership. The agency believes that children belong with their families and is proud to have the lowest number of children in care per capita in Ontario.

Peel CAS partners with local organizations to provide culturally sensitive programming, and works with children, youth and families to build a stronger, healthier community.



Concerned about the safety or well-being of a child or youth in Peel Region?  
Call **905-363-3161** for assistance.  
Learn more at **PeelCAS.org** and on **Facebook** and **LinkedIn @PeelChildren'sAid**  
and on **Instagram** and **Twitter @PeelCAS**



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