

**Are all your outside doors equipped with adequate one-inch deadbolt locks?**

**LOCKS** - Adequate locks should be installed. A locksmith should be consulted to determine the correct application for doors and windows. Do not rely on a chain latch for your entry doors. It is not a security device.

**Does your shrubbery follow the 4-7 Rule?**

**LANDSCAPING** - Landscaping decisions should be based on not hindering the visibility and natural surveillance of the residence from the road and neighboring homes. Shrubby should be trimmed to no higher than 4 feet and tree limbs and branches no lower than 7 feet from the ground. Landscaping can provide hiding places for criminals. Certain thorny plantings near a window can reduce that area from being an entry point for a burglar.



**Do exterior lights illuminate all entrances to your home?**

**LIGHTING** - Properly placed lighting can be an effective deterrent to crime. Motion sensor light fixtures are effective, as well as those lighting systems that come on at night.

**Is your alarm system routinely serviced/maintained?**

**ALARM SYSTEMS** - The installation, correct usage, maintenance, and monitoring of a home alarm system can improve residential security. Consult our office to obtain information about the requirements of the Lee County Alarm Ordinance. There are two types of intruder detection alarms, silent and audible. The basic purpose of an alarm device is to deter an intruder from entering your home and to alert law enforcement of an illegal entry.

For More Information Contact the Lee County Sheriff's Office Community Outreach Unit at 477-1400. The Lee County Sheriff's Office has Crime Prevention

Specialists that are available to answer questions relating to this brochure or other safety concerns and are available to conduct a wide variety of educational programs free of charge.

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# RESIDENTIAL SECURITY



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