



WILMETTE POLICE DEPARTMENT

# Community CRIME ALERT



## Wilmette Police Crime Alert

January 2, 2020

The following is a Crime Alert from the Wilmette Police Department.

If you have any information concerning these crimes, please contact the Wilmette Police Department.

For past alerts, visit the [Wilmette Police Department website](#).

Thank you!

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### #9PMRoutine

Let's make a Wilmette Community Resolution of #9PMRoutine for 2020. In 2019, over 90 percent of the auto burglaries were to unlocked vehicles. The Wilmette Police Department is asking residents to remember at 9:00 PM to:

1. Remove valuables from vehicles
2. Remove keys and fobs from vehicles
3. Lock the doors and windows of vehicles, garages and homes.

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### Motor Vehicle Theft

During the overnight hours of Monday, December 30th and Tuesday, December 31st, unknown offenders stole an unlocked vehicle that was parked in a driveway in the 300 block Central Ave. A fob was left in the vehicle. At 2:46 AM, an officer observed this vehicle and another vehicle driving suspiciously. When the officer started to follow them, the unknown offenders abandoned the stolen vehicle at Sheridan Rd and Kenilworth Ave, in Kenilworth. The offenders left in the second vehicle. It appears that these

offenders were using the two vehicles to commit numerous auto burglaries in Wilmette and other neighboring jurisdictions.

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### Garage Burglary

During the overnight hours of Monday, December 30th and Tuesday, December 31st, unknown offenders burglarized a garage and two autos in the 1100 block of Locust Rd. The offenders gained entry to the garage by using a garage door opener that was left in an unlocked vehicle parked in the driveway. An unlocked car that was parked in the garage was also burglarized. It appears that the offenders only entered the garage.

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### Auto Burglaries

During the overnight hours of Monday, December 30th and Tuesday, December 31st, unknown offenders burglarized seven (7) unlocked vehicles parked in the driveway in the 1000 block of Locust Rd; the 1000 block of Pontiac Rd; and the 2300 block of Elmwood Ave. In two burglaries, it appears that the offenders attempted to use the garage door openers left in the vehicles to enter garages. The offenders took a purse, garage door openers, phone charger and small amounts of money.

Between 6:00 AM and 6:21 AM, on Monday, December 30th, an unknown offender entered an unlocked vehicle parked in the 1000 block of Manor Dr and took a piece of luggage.

During the overnight hours of Tuesday, December 24th and Wednesday, December 25th, unknown offenders burglarized three (3) unlocked vehicles parked in the 2300 block of Old Glenview Rd; the 200 block of Brookside Dr; and 400 block of Vine St. Offenders took a coat.

**Always lock your car, home & garage doors and windows. Do not leave purses and wallets in a location visible from a first floor window or door. Immediately contact the Wilmette Police by dialing 9-1-1 if you see or hear something suspicious.**

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