

PERSONAL SAFETY IN THE DOWNTOWN GARAGE



Personal Safety Tips

Take Responsibility for Your Personal Safety

- Stay in well-lit areas.
- Walk against traffic so that cars cannot surprise you from behind.
- Keep an arm's length away from strangers.
- If you think someone suspicious is approaching or following you, cross to the other side of the street and head for the nearest public place.

Pay Attention to Your Surroundings

- Giving the appearance of not paying attention and not being alert are what suspects look for in a victim. (Not surprisingly, many victims are robbed while talking on their cell phones.)
- Stay sober enough to take care of yourself. Criminals view impaired persons as easy prey.
- Walk briskly and with confidence.

Take Extra Precautions at Night

- Look for anyone "hanging around" your car or your path to your car.
- Have your keys in your hand and be ready to open the car door.
- Do not hesitate to run back to where you came from to get help.

Robbery: Do's and Don'ts

- Obey the robber's instructions.
- Make a mental note of the robber's appearance (i.e., height, weight, hair color/style, clothing, etc.)
- If possible, take down the vehicle license plate number, a description of the vehicle, and the direction the robber is going.
- **Call 9-1-1 immediately!!!**

REMEMBER — Don't make it easy for a robber to make you a victim.

PERSONAL SAFETY MEETING

Location: San Leandro Library – Lecture Hall
300 Estudillo Avenue, San Leandro

Date: Tuesday, January 8, 2013

Time: 1:00-2:00pm

Officer Tim DeGrano will provide a brief presentation followed by an open discussion about protecting personal safety in the Downtown Parking Garage and throughout the downtown area.

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