

# Charles Village Community Benefits District

Crime Alert Issue No. 257

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Neighborhood Walkers on  
Patrol



(with Officer O'Donnell)

## UPCOMING WALKS:

To Be Announced

[Baltimore Police On-line  
Reporting for Non-Violent  
Crime](#)

Mayor Rawlings-Blake, Police Commissioner Batts and Councilman Brandon Scott unveiled the City's new citizen on-line police reporting system. The system allows Baltimore crime victims to file reports on-line for non-violent incidents such as car break-ins, vandalism and illegal dumping. Reports can also be filed on various platforms including a

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KEEPING CHARLES VILLAGE SAFE AND CLEAN



## How to Avoid Home Break Ins / Thefts

- 1. Lock the doors - Although this seems obvious, many people still fail to do this.** This makes it incredibly easy for a criminal to steal items, without difficulty of getting them out of the home (except some furniture); and without leaving visible evidence of the theft, that a neighbor can see from the outside of the home.
- 2 Close and lock windows - Just locking doors is pointless if you do not close the windows when gone.**
- 3. Don't advertise valuables - You do not have to put a list of your valuables in the classified section of a local newspaper, for a criminal to know what valuables you might have.** By placing valuables in plain-sight; such as having valuables in locations near a

computer, tablet or smart phone. All the user has to do is go to the city police website, and click the reporting link and follow instructions. Each report is assigned an incident number, and the user gets a PDF file of their report that can also be used to report loss for insurance.

window, especially on the first floor of the home (i.e. large television or computer system directly behind the large front windows of your home.).

**4 .Also, just because you don't make it obvious for someone who goes by the home to know what's in it, there are other ways a criminal can determine what valuables you have in your home. Be careful** of who is knowledgeable of your valuables. By bragging (or telling) about your valuables, even to people you believe are not going to be the burglars; you increase your risk of a home invasion. Even if they are completely innocent, they could possibly tell somebody who is not as upstanding. For those who post information of what they own online, you should also be careful.

**5. Get an alarm - If you live in a rural area, then these may not be very much use.** However, in city environments, these can provide additional security to your home. Invest in a quality alarm, preferably with a cellular backup (because it is quite easy for a criminal to disconnect phone wires leading to your home). Be sure to turn it on, especially in the following situations:

- You leave your home, and nobody is there. Even if you are only gone for a short period of time.
- When you are home alone.
- When you are sleeping.

**6. Remove hiding locations - Criminals love to make an entry in a location that is poorly visible to others.** By removing vegetation that makes it difficult for others to see around your home, you lower the risk that they can make a silent entry.

**7. Park bicycles and vehicles in a garage - If possible, park your bicycles and vehicles in a locked garage.** If that garage has windows, be sure to put shades or blinds over them; so criminals cannot see what kind of transportation they can steal.



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### **Public Hearing on the Financial Plan March 28th 2017**

The Public Hearing on the Financial Plan of the Charles Village Community benefits District will be held from 6:30 to 8:00 pm on March 28th 2017 at Lovely Lane Methodist Church at 2200 St Paul Street. The purpose of this meeting is to allow surcharge taxpayers the opportunity to review and comment on the proposed CVCBDMA Budget and Financial Plan for Fiscal Year 2017-2018, beginning July 1, 2017.

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**Att: Robbery Armed: 3/5/2017 11:33a.m. 2900 Barclay St.** Property Taken: None (Attempt) Victim was walking when suspect approached, displayed a silver gun and demanded money. Victim fled from suspect and called the police. Responding officer located and arrested suspect during area canvas after victim had been interviewed by detectives.

**Robbery Armed: 3/5/2017 12:33p.m. 200 E. 27th St.** Property Taken: \$40 in US Currency. Victim was walking when suspect displayed a gun and made victim go to an ATM machine and withdraw money. Suspect fled with money on foot eastbound. Suspect later located and arrested.

**Att: Stolen Auto: 3/7/2017 9:10p.m. 115 W. 25th St. A** 2012 Honda Civic gray in color.

**Agg Assault / Other: 3/7/2017 9:30p.m. 2700 N. Charles St.** Victim's brother (suspect) tampered with medical equipment inside medical center. Victim went unresponsive and had to be taken to the hospital where he was responsive and in stable condition. Charging document (criminal summons) obtained for the brother.

**Agg Assault / Gun: 3/7/2017 9:48p.m. 1 E. 22nd St.** Victim was driving in area when unknown suspect driving in a small 2 door gold car fired a gun at his vehicle, striking the driver door. Suspect fled from area driving at a high rate of speed northbound on Calvert Street.

**Burglary Residential: 3/7/2017 7:40a.m. 2434 Guilford Ave.** Property Taken: Unknown. An unknown suspect entered unlocked front door to gain entry, ransacked the location, and fled through the point of entry. Victim had to take inventory of the location to figure out what, if anything was taken.

**Larceny Shoplifting: 3/11/2017 2:08p.m. 3203 Greenmount Ave.** Property Taken: Hair. The suspects took the above property and fled without paying.

**Larceny Other: 3/11/2017 3:00p.m. 2116 N. Charles St.** Property Taken: Iphone 6s plus. The victim let the suspect use his phone and the suspect fled without giving it back.