



Crime Prevention June 2019



SCHOOL'S OUT! NOW WHAT?

✓With increased pedestrian and bicycle activity, everyone needs to be more aware while driving, especially in residential areas. Children darting out of driveways, from behind parked cars and crossing intersections pose an increased risk when the attention is not on safety.

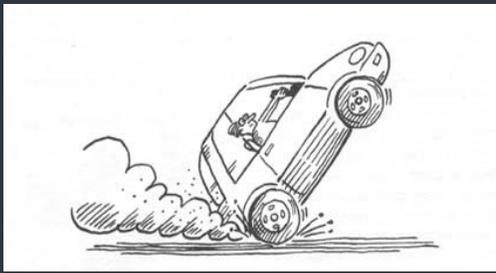
✓Opportunities for crime can increase when there is down time with school out. Residents should be aware of additional traffic in their neighborhood during the day and report any and all suspicious activity. That includes anyone walking between homes who isn't normally in the area, vehicles driving through slowly for no apparent reason or someone walking around knocking on doors.

✓For parents and guardians who are wondering what will keep their children busy, the City of Winter Haven has a host of activities through the Leisure Services Division that is just what you need. Check out the activities offered at www.mywinterhaven.com.



Speeding In Your Neighborhood? You Can Help

- Set an example to yours neighbors and drive slowly. Sometimes, it's the residents in the neighborhood who are the speeders.
- If you see street racing or aggressive drivers, report it immediately to help prevent anyone being injured.
- Drivers swerving, weaving or driving erratically should be reported immediately.



Beat The Heat Summer Safety Tips:



- ◇ **Stay Hydrated**
Regularly drink water to ensure your body stays cool
- ◇ **Stay Cool**
Try to take breaks in the shade or air conditioned areas if you plan to spend a day at the beach or out in the heat
- ◇ **Wear Sunscreen**
Wear sunscreen on areas of exposed skin especially if you will be exposed to the sun for long periods of time

Hurricane Preparedness With Crime Prevention in Mind

Hurricane season is here!

We have some valuable tips to prepare before a weather event happens.

[Check out this valuable information!](#)

Keep Outside Items Secure

- ⇒ Don't keep ladders and equipment accessible that can be used to gain access to your home
- ⇒ Keep shrubs, bushes and hedges at a 3ft height to maintain natural surveillance
- ⇒ Light up your home entry points with motion detection lights.
- ⇒ Keep your mower and lawn equipment locked in the garage
- ⇒ Lock up your bicycles - a hardened steel U-shaped lock is best
- ⇒ Record your bike serial number, make and model (picture too) and keep in a safe place