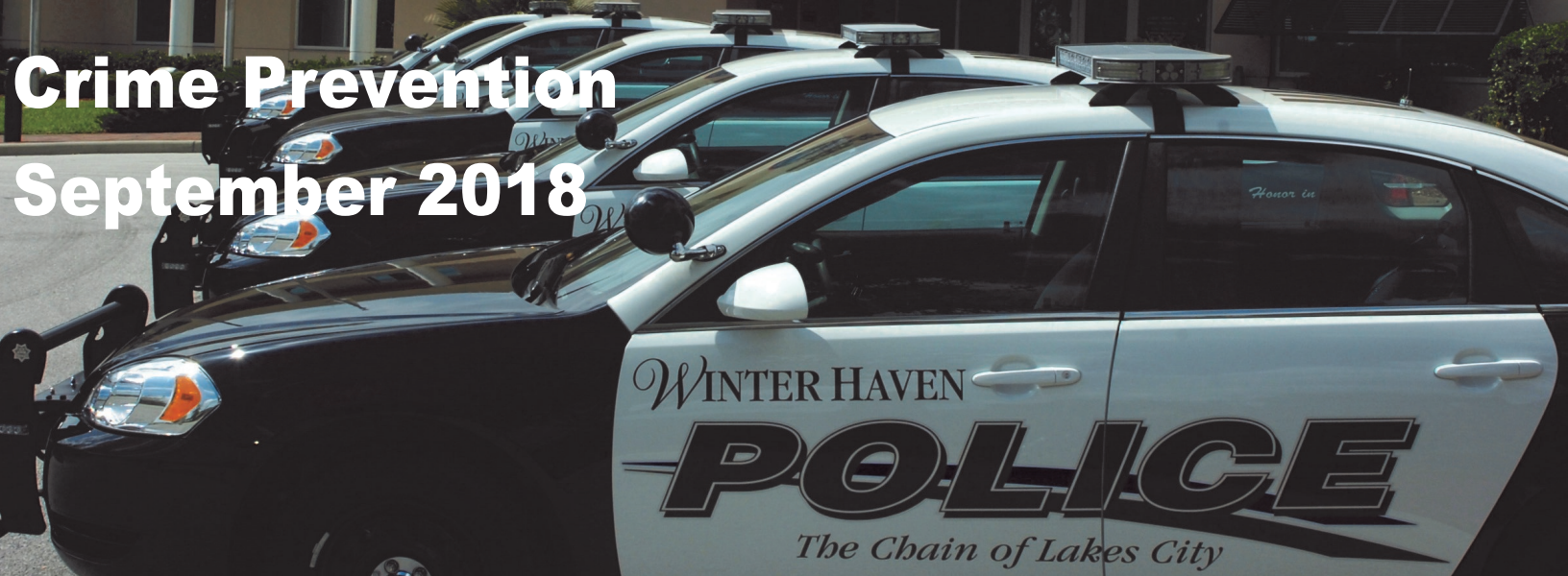


# Crime Prevention September 2018



**DON'T COMPETE.  
SHARE THE STREET.**

WINTER HAVEN  
**POLICE**

## Florida Pedestrian and Bicycle Laws Synopsis

The Florida Department of Transportation has a user-friendly guide to the pedestrian and bicycle laws that everyone should read. This publication highlights many areas that most people don't even think of when they are walking or riding their bikes.

Please click the link to view and download this handy guide from our website.

[Link To Brochure](#)

## Buying or Selling Online



INTERNET  
PURCHASE  
EXCHANGE  
LOCATION

This area is under  
video surveillance

So, you find an item on Craigslist or Facebook Market or LetGo and you REALLY want to buy it. Or you have something you need to sell.

Now... time to meet the seller (or buyer), but you want to be safe. Consider any law enforcement agency. If the other party doesn't want to meet at that secured location, then it's time for you to reconsider the transaction.

## Stay Up To Date On Statistics

Did you know that the crime in Winter Haven is at an all-time low? In 2017, the crimes per 100 residents was 3.15. And for the first half of 2018, we're doing pretty good as well. If you want to see the historic crime rates and also keep up with the monthly stats, we have that information on our website. [Winter Haven Crime Statistics](#)

### Accidental Dial

Dialing 911 by mistake certainly happens - even to the most careful of citizens. Did you know that a cell phone that does not have phone service can still dial 911? It does as long as there is a charged battery installed.

### PLEASE

Don't give a child an old cell phone that has a working battery. If you do choose to give a child your old cell phone, please remember to take the battery out. Law enforcement answers numerous 911 calls that are accidental - typically when a child had an old phone as a toy.

## Medicine Cabinet

We have a permanent location within our agency for you to dispose of your prescription medicines! It's a great way to properly dispose of expired or unused prescriptions. The cabinet is located inside of the Department lobby, open Mon - Fri 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

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