

## **Holiday Safety**

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- Park in a well-lit area. Keep your vehicle doors locked. Remember a pole number or entrance number for returning to your vehicle
- Secure your packages and belongings out of sight in the trunk or cargo area. Do not keep anything out in plain view, to include GPS devices, purses, shopping bags or loose change
- Watch for icy spots in the parking lot and wet, slippery floors inside
- Do not set your purse, jacket or shopping bags down on a bench while you shop. Keep your phone and wallet in a purse or pocket; do not set them down on a counter or display. Keep your purse zipped closed at all times
- If shopping with young children, do not leave strollers unattended, especially with packages and purses hanging off of them
- Do not leave receipts in bags or packages, keep them in your purse or wallet
- If you misplace your wallet or purse, do not wait to put your credit cards on hold. Call your credit card company immediately. If your missing wallet or purse is found, be sure to check your bank statements for the next few months to make sure your card numbers were not compromised
- Be aware of your surroundings. If you have concerns someone is following you after you have made a large or expensive purchase, ask security to escort you to your vehicle
- If you must use an ATM, choose one that is located inside a bank, mall, or well-lit location. Withdraw only the amount of cash you need. Protect your PIN by shielding the ATM keypad
- Be aware of phone scams. Example: A person who is calling stating they are your niece or nephew and they are in jail and need you to send them gift cards to pay for a lawyer or for bail. A lawyer or police department will never ask for gift cards as forms of payment
- If you see something, say something. If you see a package or person that just doesn't look right, or you get a bad feeling about it, call Security at 585-223-2930 or dial 911





