



# RIVER FOREST CRIME PREVENTION UNIT COMMUNITY ALERT BULLETIN



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## Residential Burglary



### Incident Summary

On February 8th, 2023 between the hours of 7:00pm and 11:43pm, unknown offender(s) committed a residential burglary in the area of Lathrop Ave. & Chicago Ave. They gained access by prying the back door. At this time, the loss reported is collectible coins and jewelry. Also of note, the offender(s) damaged two security alarm panels in the home when the alarm sounded.

### Burglary Prevention Tips

- ◇ Lock your doors and windows. Ensure locks are sturdy, doors are strong, and door frames are reinforced.
- ◇ Keep property well lit with ample interior/exterior lighting. Note: there are plenty of proximity sensor options.
- ◇ Invest in security measures such as sensors, alarms, perimeter surveillance cameras, doorbell cameras, and more.
- ◇ Familiarize yourself with your security measures and their limitations.
- ◇ Inventory your valuable items and keep track of your property. Take photographs of jewelry, record serial numbers, etc.
- ◇ Be a good neighbor: look out for each other and be a second set of eyes for your neighbors' property.
- ◇ Store valuables in a fireproof safe affixed to the wall or floor.
- ◇ Remain observant and don't hesitate to call 9-1-1 to report suspicious behavior or incidents (Non-Emergency 708.366.7125)
- ◇ You can schedule a FREE Residential Security Survey. Contact Crime Prevention Officer Ben Ransom at [bransom@vrf.us](mailto:bransom@vrf.us).

**IF YOU SEE SOMETHING, SAY SOMETHING.** For any questions or information, please contact RFPD at 708-366-7125