

Trenton Police: Crime Prevention Guide

The Trenton Police Department is committed to ensuring the safety and well-being of residents and visitors alike. As part of our efforts to reduce crime and promote community safety, we have developed this crime prevention guide to provide valuable tips, resources, and strategies for preventing crime and protecting yourself and your property. By working together with law enforcement and taking proactive measures to safeguard your home, belongings, and personal safety, we can create a safer and more secure environment for everyone in Trenton.

- Install quality locks on doors and windows and use them consistently, especially when leaving home or going to bed.
- Consider installing a home security system with surveillance cameras, motion detectors, and alarm sensors to deter intruders and alert you to suspicious activity.
- Keep exterior lights well-lit and trim bushes and trees near windows and doors to eliminate hiding spots for potential burglars.
- Get to know your neighbors and watch out for each other's homes, reporting any unusual or suspicious behavior to the police.
- Be aware of your surroundings and avoid walking alone, especially at night or in unfamiliar areas.
- Trust your instincts and avoid risky situations or confrontations with aggressive individuals.
- Stay alert when using public transportation, ATMs, or parking lots, and avoid distractions such as texting or talking on the phone.

- Carry valuables discreetly and avoid displaying expensive items or large amounts of cash in public.
 - Always lock your car doors and roll up windows when leaving your vehicle unattended, even for a short time.
 - Park in well-lit areas and avoid leaving valuables in plain sight, either take them with you or secure them in the trunk.
 - Use anti-theft devices such as steering wheel locks, car alarms, or electronic immobilizers to deter car theft.
 - Use strong, unique passwords for online accounts and enable two-factor authentication whenever possible.
 - Be cautious when sharing personal information online, especially on social media platforms, and avoid clicking on suspicious links or downloading unknown attachments.
 - Keep your devices and software up-to-date with the latest security patches and antivirus software to protect against malware and cyber attacks.
 - Monitor your bank accounts and credit card statements regularly for any unauthorized transactions and report any suspicious activity to your financial institution.
1. What are some additional crime prevention strategies that you would recommend to residents of Trenton based on your own experiences or observations?

2. How can community members collaborate with law enforcement to address specific crime concerns or issues in their neighborhoods and promote a safer environment for everyone?
3. Can you discuss the importance of community involvement and awareness in preventing crime and fostering a sense of unity and solidarity among residents?
4. In what ways can technology and innovation be leveraged to enhance crime prevention efforts in Trenton, such as neighborhood watch apps, online reporting tools, or predictive policing algorithms?
5. How do socioeconomic factors, such as poverty, unemployment, and lack of access to education and resources, contribute to crime rates in Trenton, and what strategies can be implemented to address these underlying root causes?
6. What role do local businesses, schools, faith-based organizations, and other community institutions play in supporting crime prevention initiatives and promoting positive social norms and behaviors?
7. How can the Trenton Police Department engage with residents through outreach programs, community events, and informational campaigns to raise awareness about crime prevention strategies and empower individuals to take proactive steps to protect themselves and their communities?
8. In what ways can residents support and encourage each other in practicing crime prevention measures and promoting a culture of safety, resilience, and cooperation in Trenton?