1 Oklahoma City Police Southwest Division Reducing Burglary

2 About this Presentation

• Sometimes you do it all right and a burglary can still happen

3 Types of Burglary

- 1st Degree Burglary When a person breaks into a residence with the intent to commit a crime while another person is inside
- 2nd Degree Burglary

 Breaking and entering into a room, building, vehicle, vending machine or other structure with the intent to steal or commit another crime

4 Penalties for Burglary

- 1st Degree Burglary
- Is considered a violent felony because the residence is occupied when the break in is committed. Upon conviction the person can be sentenced to 20 years in prison.
- 2nd Degree Burglary
- Is still a felony. The person convicted can be sentenced to up to 7 years in prison.

5 1st Degree Burglary

Occurs most often at night when homeowners are asleep

- · Thrill crime
- Purposely enters the home while occupied
- Sometimes armed
- · May leave evidence to frighten the homeowner for excitement
- This type of burglary is rare

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6 Home Invasion Is Still 1st Degree Burglary

- · Typically, the home invasion has a more violent entry and residents are assaulted and bound
- Most often occurs in late evening or nighttime hours
- Entry is most commonly made by a knock at the door with only one person visible
- When the door is opened 3 to 4 hidden people rush the homeowner and bind the occupants

7 2nd Degree Burglary

- Usually occurs in daytime
- Occasional nighttime if homeowners away from home or on vacation
- 1 or 2 subjects unarmed
- · Careful to ensure no one is at home
- Most often entry from the back of house by kicking in the back door or busting out a window
- Exit made through the front or side door

8 2nd Degree Burglary

Most violated rooms in the house

- Bedroom
- Living room

Least violated rooms

- Kitchen
- · Laundry Room

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9 2nd Degree Burglary

Property most taken

- Electronics
- Jewelry
- Money
- Guns
- · Pillow case

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10 2nd Degree Burglary

Recently my daughter's house was burglarized

11 Auto Burglary

- Most often occurs at night at residence
- Daytime in parking lots at work or shopping
- Unlocked vehicle or breaking of drivers/passengers window
- Suspects tend to live close to the neighborhood
- New trend in auto burglars. Suspects now travel farther away to hunt for there targets

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12 Auto Burglary

Property listed in police reports from auto burglary victims

- Guns
- Electronics
- · Wallets, cash money
- Purses
- Medication
- Cell Phones
- · Items bought from the store

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13 Burglar Profiles

14 Burglar Profiles

15 Prevention

- Be aware of your surroundings away from home
- Burglars have been known to follow a victim home
- Notice who may be watching you and others
- Report suspicious or unusual persons, vehicles and incidents to 911

16 Prevention

- Surveillance of your house and habits. Do you send a message you are home and not at home?
- Do you open your shades when you are at home and close them when you leave?
- Is your TV on when you are home, but turned off when you leave the house?
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17 Prevention

What can you do to the outside of your residence to deter the burglar from picking your home?

- · Lighting motion and LED lighting is the best
- Open perimeter of your house so the neighbors can see anyone moving around your home
- Privacy fences are privacy for the burglar
- · Bushes trimmed below windows
- 8 foot canopy for trees
- Strategic placement of hostile vegetation

18 Prevention

Deceive the burglar

- · Make it seem as if you are home
- Open window draperies
- · Leave TV on
- Have a garage door with no windows
- Alarm signage
- Door camera you can answer

19 Prevention

- When someone knocks or rings your doorbell, answer through the door, but do not open it.
- If the person at your door wants to use the phone or asks for help, tell them to wait right there and you will call 911 for them.
- Call 911 and tell the call taker there is a person at your door you do not know who needs help.

20 Prevention Sex Offender Burglar

- If single female, have men's clothing and a pair of work boots in your closet
- Check the screens to your windows for any sign they have been removed
- · When coming home scan the area before getting out of your car

• Make a police report on any harassing or threatening phone calls or texts

21 Prevention

Delay the burglar so you may react and call 911

- · Solid doors- wood or metal
- · Deadbolt locks
- 3 inch screws in strike plate
- Double locks on windows and sliding glass doors
- · Security film on windows

22 How Most Burglar Arrests Are Made By Police

Apprehension of Burglars

A neighbor noticed, suspicious activity at their neighbor's home and called 911 with an excellent vehicle and suspect descriptions with last known direction of travel. An officer stopped the suspect vehicle about 4 blocks away while going to the 911 call. The car stopped was full of stolen property and the driver's pockets were full of jewelry. RP positively identified by AR's on the scene. One shift officer recalled similar vehicle information was released in the lineup recently in reference to other burglaries.

23 How Most Burglars Are Caught Through An Investigation

- Video
- Serial Numbers
- Fingerprints
- Pawn reports

24 Neighborhood Watch and Watch Patrol

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