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PERSONAL SAFETY

BASIC PROTECTIVE MEASURES

- Stay alert and aware of your surroundings at all times
- Have plan and trust your instincts
- There is safety in numbers
- Tell a loved one or a friend where you are going and when you expect to return
- Carry a fully-charged cell phone
- Wear shoes and clothing that do not restrict movement
- Know the locations of police & fire stations and hospitals
- Be mindful of what you share on social media
- Consider taking a self-defense class

IN YOUR CAR

- Always lock your car
- Keep windows up and doors locked while driving
- Park in well-lit public areas
- Stick to well-traveled streets
- Have your keys in your hand before you get to your car
- If you think you are being pulled over, use a well-lit public area
- If you think you are being followed, do not go home, drive to the nearest police station
- Do not engage in road rage incidents

WHILE PUMPING GAS

- Shut off your engine and place valuables on the passenger side floorboard
- Close your windows, lock your doors and take your keys with you
- Stay vigilant of your surroundings the entire time



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WHILE USING AN ATM

- Use the ATM during daylight hours
- Use the drive-up ATM, if possible
- Be ready to do business. Have your card and paperwork in your hand
- Remain observant
- Leave immediately – do not count money outside or in your car

RIDESHARING

- Do not use a rideshare if you are under the influence of alcohol
- Verify the make and model of the vehicle and confirm the license plate number
- Ask the driver their name before getting in the car
- Try to sit behind the driver
- Track the route so you know where you are going

IN YOUR HOME

- Install exterior motion sensor lighting and cameras
- Keep more than one light on inside your home at night
- Close the blinds at night
- Keep shrubs and trees trimmed
- Keep overhead and exterior garage doors closed at all times
- Keep windows and doors locked
- Never hide keys outside
- Secure sliding glass doors and windows with auxiliary locks or pins
- Use deadbolt locks, solid doors, sturdy hinges and peepholes
- Be cautious of door-to-door salesmen and service personnel
- Do not open your door to strangers and do not let anyone inside
- Keep valuables in a safe place, not the master bedroom
- Be alert to suspicious persons and activity in your neighborhood and report it to law enforcement
- Schedule a FREE home security survey with a Crime Prevention Specialist

It is the policy of the Lee County Sheriff's Office to protect the constitutional rights of all people, regardless of race, color, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, physical handicap, religion or other belief system or physical characteristic; and to treat each person with respect and dignity.