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SAFETY BY DESIGN

Sliding Glass Doors Secured
Cover with security window film to help prevent shattering. Use track locks to prevent removal of door.

Interior Lights & Radio
A couple of lights and the sound of a radio can make it seem as though someone is home.

Door Eye Viewer / Window
Ensure both adults and children can see out before they open a door.

Reinforce Door Frame With Wood
Fill space between door jamb & studs with a solid piece of wood and shims to prevent it from being pried back.

Casement or Double Hung Windows
Use various types of window stops for windows.

Porch / Front Door Lights
Use high efficiency lights with motion sensors or a timer. Use a white light source that offers good color rendering. Lights should be installed out of arm's reach of a would-be criminal.

Exposed Fence Hinges
Ensure "pin" side is installed on inside of fence or fill with pins that cannot be removed.

Deadbolt Locks on Doors
Deadbolt at least 1" into door frame and strike plate installed with at least 3" screws

Driveway and Walkway Lights
Use high efficiency lights with motion sensors or timers.

Trim Hedges and Trees
Trim hedges below 2' and tree canopies higher than 6'.

Garage Door Securely Locked
Do not leave a spare key outside your home. Leave with a trusted friend.

Reinforce Basement Windows
Ensure there is a quick-release mechanism for easy exit in case of emergency.

Easily Readable House Number
It's easier for police and other first responders to locate your home when the house numbers are large & well-lit.

Alarm System Sign
A simple sign or decal may make a would-be criminal think twice.

Mark Your Valuables
Use an identifiable mark or number such as your driver license number to mark your valuables.

CRIME PREVENTION *through* ENVIRONMENTAL DESIGN

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