



Crime prevention and safety tips

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Bonus Tip

Criminal Justice Liaison

Holiday Parties

Parties are a great way to celebrate the holiday season.

Following these simple tips can help keep holiday parties merry and safe.

Before Leaving Home

- Inform someone, such as a trusted neighbor, where you are going, who you will be with, and how long you are expect to be away.
- Plan on how you're going to get home before you leave for the party.
- Charge your cell phone and carry it with you.
- Go with a friend.

At The Party

- Park in well-lighted, busy areas.
- Lock car and hide valuables out of sight.
- Always be aware of your surroundings.
- Stick with friends and don't wander away alone.
- Don't share a lot of personal information with strangers.



- Eat something before drinking alcohol.
- Don't leave your drink unattended, and don't let someone top off your drink unless you know what is in the bottle.
- Get away from anyone who is starting to behave in a threatening way.
- Keep an eye out for your friends, and be prepared to help if they seem to need it.

Leaving The Party

- Be sure your designated driver didn't drink, and if they did, call for a taxi cab.
- Check the vehicle's interior and surrounding area before entering.
- Buckle up.

Hillsborough County Board of County Commissioners' goals are to reduce property crime, violent crime and overall crime by 2015. These tips are intended to increase your awareness and help avoid crime. If you have a proven prevention or awareness tip that can be shared, contact the Criminal Justice Liaison at (813) 276-2548.