

## **Home Security Review**

## **Home Exterior:**

	Do you belong to a social networking group like Facebook, Ring, or a Nextdoor	
	neighborhood group?  Are shrubs and bushes within four (4) feet of any sidewalks, driveways, doors, or gates	
	maintained at a height of not more than two (2) feet? Are shrubs and bushes within four (4) feet and eight feet of any sidewalks, driveways, door, or gates maintained at a height of not more than four (4) feet?	
	Are ground plants under windows maintained at a height that is below the windowsill? Are trees trimmed so that the lower branches are more than six (6) feet off the ground? Is the front door well lit?  Are exterior lights controlled by motion activation?  Is public or residence lighting sufficient to illuminate all sides of the dwelling?  Is the house or residence number easily visible on both the house and the curb?  Are there any hiding places near the doors, windows, garage, or parking area?  Have you engraved items of value or logged serial numbers of items located in the garage?  Is the garage door locked at all times?  Does the garage door close tightly?  Does the overhead door have a track pad lock?  Do you keep the overhead door closed and locked when not in use?  Do you remove keys from your motor vehicle(s) when the garage is locked?  Are you careful not to leave garage door openers in vehicles parked outside?  Is the door leading from the garage into the house either solid wood or metal core? Do you lock this door?	
Exterior Doors:		
	Do you have a video doorbell installed? Are all exterior or entrance doors solid core? Is the doorjamb tightly fastened? If the hinge pins are on the outside, are they non-removable? Do exterior doors have wide angle (180°) door viewers? Are locks that can be opened from inside at least 40 inches from glass? Are strike plates securely fastened to the door jamb with at least 2 1/2-inch screws? Have screws been installed in the tracks of sliding glass doors? Are locking bars (or "Charlie bars") used to secure sliding glass doors?	
Locks:		
	Are dead bolt locks with at least a 1-inch throw installed on all exterior or entrance doors?	
	Have locks been re-keyed since you moved in?	



## **Windows:**

Have double hung windows been pinned?
Have screws been installed in the tracks of horizontal sliding glass windows?
Have crank handles been removed from casement windows?
Can windows left open for ventilation be secured?
Do basement windows have security bars, grills, or auxiliary locks?
Are window air conditioners anchored and protected by steel grillwork to prevent
removal from the outside?