



## ***Northgate Woods Community Association***

### ***Special Alert***



Over the last couple months, numerous vehicles have been broken into in the Northgate Woods Community and surrounding neighborhoods. In most instances, unlocked vehicles were accessed and electronics taken. These appear to be crimes of opportunity. Items have also been taken from backyards and sheds. Please be sure to lock your vehicles at night and not keep items of value in them as well as keeping other valuables on your property secured.

The Howard County Police Department has been contacted in some of these instances. They have advised that anybody who is a victim of a crime to report the incident promptly to them. This includes when a vehicle is broken into whether or not it was damaged and whether or not anything has been taken. They can only provide focused patrols if there is a documented reason to do so. That said, they have encouraged the filing of police reports to include observations of suspicious activity.

Many incidents' can be filed online at the below website. Alternatively, the below phone number can be contacted for non-emergency complaints. As always, if you are experiencing an emergency, do not hesitate to call 911.

The following reports can be made online and do not require police response: Animal complaints, dumping complaints, harassing phone call, identity theft, motor vehicle complaint, solicitor complaint, lost property, theft, theft from a shed or detached garage, thrift from a vehicle, unauthorized use of a vehicle, vandalism, vandalism to a motor vehicle

The Howard County Police Department serves our community from Southern District, also known as District 2:



Howard County Police Department  
District 2/Southern District  
11226 Skaggsville, Road

410-313-3700

#### **Online Reports:**

**[www.howardcountymd.gov/Departments/Police/Police-Reports](http://www.howardcountymd.gov/Departments/Police/Police-Reports)**