



# Arbutus Walk Olympic Security Community Bulletin

## Olympics Safety and Security Issues

### **Increased number of visitors into the area.**

The Olympics will provide an opportunity for out of town visitors to stay with friends in the area, and most likely inside your building. As well, the Olympics will be a great festival experience, therefore providing more opportunities for friends to get together. Certainly there will be more non-residents coming in and out of your buildings during this time. Visitors do not tend to obey building rules as much. As well, they are less likely to take your building's security seriously; will they really be as diligent as you are about ensuring the parking gate closes?

*Do's:* Remind your guests of the building rules. Meeting your visitors at the front door is preferable to buzzing them in. Remind visitors to not let other people into the building, and ask them to make sure the doors close securely behind them when leaving. Be extra diligent when going through doors not to let strangers into the building.

*Don't's:* Never lend out your keys or fob to your guests. Do not lend out your parking spot. Do not hold open doors for people: everyone should have their own keys. Do not publicize when you are not home: this information can get into the wrong hands.

### **Increased security pressures into the area.**

As a large police presence is felt downtown, there is a chance criminal elements can be pushed outward from the downtown core, and leak into your neighborhood.

*Do's:* Report all suspicious activity to the police and call Provident Security. Be more observant of what cars are parked in the area, and people walking or biking near your buildings. Stop at the parkade gate when entering and leaving to ensure no one sneaks in.

*Don't's:* giving money to panhandlers is not recommended, as they can bring in other negative elements to your area. Do not leave anything in your car: even an empty box is an invitation to a thief.

### **Contacting Provident Security**

You can contact Provident Security 24 hrs a day. This is a great way to let us know important information. It is also a way to report ongoing incidents or security concerns. Contact Provident Security for anything from a suspicious person, to requesting a Safe-Walk to your vehicle.

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