



## **NCBAM's** **PEACE of MIND**

strategies for home invasion  
prevention and protection!

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### **Daily Prevention**

- Keep entry points locked and alarmed when home
- Make your home appear occupied
- Maintain adequate outdoor lighting
- Install deadbolts & peepholes on exterior doors
- Participate with Neighborhood Watch
- Call police with suspicions
- Designate a safe room or closet
- Be mindful getting out of car
- Trim bushes below windows
- Engrave identifying marks on property
- Store valuables in an obscure place
- Avoid carrying cash
- Avoid appearance of living alone
- Inventory property with photos or videos

## Stranger at the Door?

- Do not open door
- Observe stranger without being seen
- If you can't identify stranger, call 911
- Respond in a way to suggest a full house
- State, "We understand you need assistance. We're calling police."
- Draw attention to home - turn on all lights, trigger car alarm

## Intruder Inside?

- Run, hide, fight
- Alert family with code word
- Leave house; get as far away as possible
- If threatened, consider escape even if it risks injury
- Call 911 from a safe place

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