

**BE PREPARED FOR THEFT
&
EXPECT IT NEVER TO
HAPPEN.**

In 2010 throughout the United States Victims of burglary offenses suffered an estimated \$4.6 billion in lost property. Overall, the average dollar loss per burglary offense was \$2,119.00 Burglaries of residential properties accounted for 73.9 percent of all burglary offenses.

According to the FBI statics in 2010 the City of Fridley reported 142 burglaries and 1,114 thefts.

If you are a victim of theft the best avenue for having your property returned is being prepared.

HAVE ALL YOUR PROPERTY INVENTORIED INCLUDING SERIAL NUMBERS/ IDENTIFICATION NUMBERS AND PHOTOGRAPHS.



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WHAT IS OPERATION INVENTORY?

Historically, law enforcement agencies nationwide have experienced difficulty identifying, recovering, and returning stolen property. Operation Inventory is a crime reduction program designed to facilitate the identification, recovery, and return of stolen property.

How does Operation Inventory work?

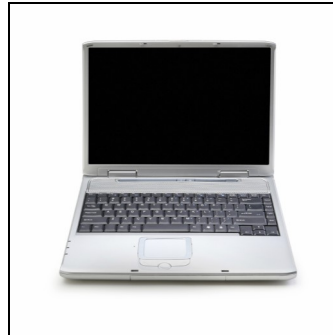
It's based on a simple premise: persuade people to document information about their property. The documented information should include make, model and serial number. The Fridley Police provides a user friendly form for convenience. Store the completed form in a safe place. Property without a serial number may be marked with identifying marks and or photographed. In case of theft or loss the information can be supplied to law enforcement agencies and insurance companies.

**In other words,
keep an
Inventory.**

What Happens When I Make A Theft Report ?

If you become a victim of theft, Law Enforcement will take the serial number of your stolen property and enter it into the National Crime Information Center (NCIC) database which is maintained by the Federal Bureau of Investigations (FBI).

Providing the make, model and serial number gives Law Enforcement useful tools to recover your property and possibly arrest the criminals responsible for the theft.



Minnesota State Statute 325J.01 thru .13 in part requires pawnbrokers to enter all accepted items into the Automated Pawn System (APS). The APS then queries each pawned item through the NCIC database during the overnight hours. If the serial number of your stolen property has been entered into the database the police department will be notified and your stolen property will be returned.

How Do I Get Started?

Obtain an Operation Inventory Form!

- Operation Inventory forms are available at the Fridley Police Department during business hours.
- You may print them out on line at the City of Fridley Website. www.Ci.Fridley.MN.US/police
- Ask your Block Captain or Neighborhood Resource Officer for a copy.

Use the Operation Inventory form to help document everything of value in your home.

Take photographs of unique items and items that do not have serial numbers, or cannot be engraved with an identification number. (For example jewelry, or antiques)