



# POLICE ALERT



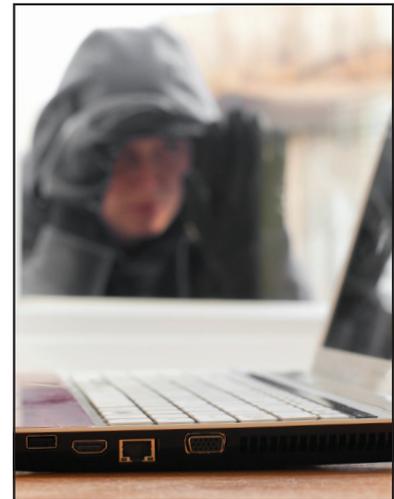
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## BEWARE OF DECEPTION BURGLARIES AND HOME IMPROVEMENT SCAMS

Nassau County Police offer the following tips to prevent deception burglaries:

- ✓ Do not allow uninvited repair workers into your home, especially if they want to fix something that you have not noticed is a problem (such as a leaky roof).
- ✓ If someone claims to be at your home for an inspection, ask for identification and contact their company prior to allowing them into your home.
- ✓ Keep doors locked when possible to prevent anyone from entering your home while you are outside the house.
- ✓ Call 911 immediately if someone attempts to enter your home or you suspect someone is attempting a deception burglary.
- ✓ Watch for people offering services in your community and make sure to write down a description of the individuals and their vehicle, including a Plate number.
- ✓ Older residents and those living alone are often targeted – keep in contact with your neighbors to ensure that they are not victimized.
- ✓ Always research companies before hiring them to ensure that they are legitimate companies with a good reputation.



As with other crimes, you can make your neighborhood an uncomfortable place for criminals to be: **Report Any Suspicious Activity.**

**To report any suspicious activity 1-800-244-TIPS (8477)**