

In the Public Safety Department of NHCC we have meetings that are oriented toward how we can prevent crime on campus and keep our students safe.

Due to that good training and being well prepared, two student workers noted a suspicious tow truck taking a vehicle out of NHCC's parking lot. Before the tow truck could leave the lot the student workers called via radio NHCC dispatch who in turn located the truck on camera. Sure enough, a few hours later that vehicle was reported stolen.

Proactive patrolling and quick thinking allowed the Public Safety Department to play an intricate role in the apprehension of vehicle thieves who were lifting vin numbers off cars and re-selling them, and prevented further car thefts to our community.

 North Hennepin Community College	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NHCC Public Safety Department</b> <i>Security Alert</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>September 24, 2010</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Alert:            Advisory:            Bulletin:</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Critical/Major Event    Important Incident    General Information</i></p>	 North Hennepin Community College
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The Public Safety Department would like to inform the NHCC campus of an auto theft that occurred in the south west parking lot. The theft occurred on Friday September 24<sup>th</sup>, 2010. The vehicle was a 1998 Silver Chrysler Concord and was towed out away without authorization from the owner. We have identified a suspect and we do not believe there is a continuing threat to the campus community. The Brooklyn Park Police Department has taken over the investigation.

**The following are tips on preventing Auto Theft and Theft from Auto that may keep you from becoming a victim of this crime:**

- Always lock car doors and windows.
- **Report all On Campus towing activity to the Public Safety Department**
- Do not leave valuables in your car. If you do make sure to keep them out of plain sight, hide them under a blanket, or lock them in your trunk.
- When transporting valuables place them in your trunk before you get to the location where you intend to park. Do not transfer them at the parking lot in open view of other people.
- Always park in well-lighted areas.
- Keep your drivers license and vehicle registration with you.
- Remember: brief cases, sunglasses, clothing, keys, gym bags, and small change are all tempting items to a thief.
- Mark your CB's, radios, CD players, cells phones, wheel covers, and tires with a personal identification number. If the stolen item is recovered, the number can help trace it back to you.
- Do not leave you garage door opener on the dash board or visor. Put it in your glove box, hide it, or take it with you.
- Call 911 and/or (763)-424-0807 as soon as a theft occurs On-campus.

**Public Safety urges you to be proactive and alert. You can help prevent crime!**

**Brooklyn Park Police 911--NHCC Public Safety (763)424-0807**

For disability accommodations call (763) 493-0555/V or (763) 493-0558