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McGruff offers some crime prevention tips for children

- Call 911 when you need the police, an ambulance, or when there's a fire.
- **2.** Don't open your door to a stranger. If Mom or Dad are home, have them come to the door. If you're home alone, say "Mom/Dad can't come to the door now. Come back later."
- **3.** Don't tell strangers on the phone that Mom or Dad aren't home. Again, just say, "They can't come to the phone."
- Don't leave doors and windows open or unlocked.
- Never get close to a car if a stranger asks for help or directions. It is easy for a stranger to pull you into the car. Never hitchhike or take a ride from a stranger.
- Don't take candy, money, or anything from a stranger.
- When walking or playing after dark, stay where there are lights.
- **8.** Always tell Mom or Dad where you are going and what time you will be home.
- **9.** When walking somewhere, go with a friend if possible. Be sure to know how to get where you are going.

Contact your crime prevention specialist for additional prevention information. Call 311 (or 612-673-3000) or see www.minneapolismn.gov/police/crimeprevention/police_o utreach safe-teams to locate your neighborhood crime prevention specialist.

For further crime prevention resources, please visit www.minneapolismn.gov/police/crimeprevention/index.htm.



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English: Attention. If you want help translating this information, call 612-673-3737

Spanish: Atención. Si desea recibir asistencia gratuita para traducir esta información, Ilame 612-673-2700

Somali: Ogow. Haddii aad dooneyso in lagaa kaalmeeyo tarjamadda macluumaadkani oo lacag la' aan wac 612-673-3500

Hmong: Ceeb toom. Yog koj xav tau kev pab txhais cov xov no rau koj dawb, hu 612-673-2800

Sign Language: TTY 612-673-2626

If you need this material in an alternative format, please contact the Minneapolis Police Department at 612-673-2912.