



## *Holiday Shopping Safety Tips*

Be sure and take the necessary precautions to stay safe and keep purchases and personal items secure during the Holiday shopping season. The Antioch Police Department offers these simple tips to avoid being a victim of crime:

- Do not leave purses or wallets unattended while shopping. Wait until asked before taking out your credit card or check book.
- Carry your purse close to your body or your wallet inside a coat or front pocket.
- Do not carry your Social Security Card or PIN numbers in your wallet or purse. Leave these items in a secure place at home. Always close your purse and keep it with you while shopping.
- If you are shopping with children, make a plan in case you get separated.
- Do not leave your purse or valuables in plain sight or unattended in your vehicle. Secure valuables in the trunk. Try to walk to your car with someone or ask a store employee to walk with you, especially after dark.
- Lock ALL your vehicle's doors! Set any alarm or anti-theft device.
- Try to park in busy, well-lit, well-travelled areas. Do not buy more than you can carry. Have your keys in hand when approaching your vehicle.
- Save all receipts. Print and save confirmations from your online purchases. Remember to verify credit card or bank statements.

*The Village of Antioch Police Department wishes  
you and your family a Happy  
Holiday Shopping Season!*