

The Shawnee County Sheriff's Office has noticed a recent increase in mail thefts, vehicle burglaries, and vehicle thefts in all parts of Shawnee County.

The Sheriff's Office would like to remind citizens to place outgoing mail in a post office drop box and collect your mail or packages as soon as possible after delivery. Criminals are following mail carriers and removing mail from mailboxes looking for any information to steal your identity or financial information. Criminals are also taking packages dropped off on citizen's doorsteps. Please monitor any package by utilizing the tracking number provided by the carrier and make plans to have the package secured upon delivery.

Please keep your vehicles locked, property removed and ensure there are no spare keys in the vehicle. Criminals are removing loose items found in vehicles including electronics, US Currency (coins), purses, backpacks, firearms, garage door openers, keys, and other miscellaneous items.

Burglars may approach your residence and if the homeowner is home, they will make up an excuse for being on their property such as they are lost or looking for someone else. The Sheriff's Office asks you report these incidents immediately to law enforcement and if possible provide any details such as subject description, vehicle description and a tag number if possible.

As always, please report any suspicious activity to law enforcement immediately at 785-251-2200.

Thank you for your time and have a good day.