



BURBANK POLICE DEPARTMENT

200 North Third Street, Burbank, CA 91502



COMMUNITY BULLETIN

STOP PORCH PACKAGE THEFTS DURING THE HOLIDAY SEASON!!



As the holidays approach, the Burbank Police Department would like to warn the Burbank community about doorstep package thefts. Deputy Chief Mike Albanese commented, "The holiday season should be joyful! Not painful."

During the holiday season the Burbank Police Department will typically take several reports in which UPS, FedEx and/or US Postal Service packages are stolen from residential porches.

The thefts occur in all parts of the city, generally in the afternoon to early evening hours. If you see someone following a delivery truck or taking packages from your neighbor's porch, call the police immediately.

There are several ways you can help protect yourself from being a victim of package theft.

1. If you are expecting a package, try to have someone at home to accept it.
2. Some delivery services allow the recipient to sign-up for email or text alerts. Take advantage of this service and track your package, so it can be received or picked up from the porch ASAP.
3. If the delivery service allows you to change the delivery date/time of the package to a time when someone is home, do so.
4. Have the package delivered to a trusted neighbor who is home or request the package require a signature, so it won't be dropped and you can make arrangements to pick it up or be delivered at a time when someone can sign for it.
5. Have the delivery service hold the package at their warehouse where you can retrieve it.
6. Consider obtaining a mail dropbox where someone is always present to receive your packages. You can retrieve the items at your convenience.

Your vigilance and calls to the police has an impact on crime and criminals. Chief LaChasse said, "Our continued partnership with the community helps prevent crime in Burbank." Please call the Burbank Police Department at (818) 238-3000 or 911 to report suspicious activity.



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