Vehicle Break-Ins at Red Rock Canyon National Conservation Area

As idyllic as Red Rock Canyon National Conservation Area is, unfortunately, it is not immune from crime. One crime that occurs here are vehicle break-ins, where someone will break a window or otherwise gain entry to a vehicle in order to steal any valuables inside. This can include wallets, phones, credit cards, laptops, purses, and other items.

We are doing everything in our power to help prevent these crimes, including having cameras installed in certain areas and increasing patrols.

These are crimes of opportunity, taking under 30 seconds, and can happen anywhere in Red Rock Canyon. Every time you leave your vehicle, make sure you take these steps to help reduce your risk of a vehicle break-in:

- Don't leave valuables in your car. Either leave them at home or take them with you.
- Lock valuables in the trunk. If you must keep valuables in your vehicle, lock them unseen in your trunk. It is important to do this <u>before</u> you get to your destination, so no one is aware of valuables in the vehicle.
- Use extra caution in rental vehicles. As visitors sometimes come directly from the airport, thieves know rentals could have many valuables inside. If you are unable to leave your luggage at your accommodations, make sure everything is in the trunk before you arrive and leave no suggestion that there is luggage or valuables in the vehicle.
- · Lock your vehicle and take your keys.
- Be aware of your surroundings.
- Keep a photocopy at home of all credit/debit cards. If your wallet is ever lost or stolen, having that information in one place makes it much easier to call and cancel cards quickly.

If you do experience a vehicle break-in:

- Call 311 for Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department or 702-293-8998 for Bureau of Land Management Law Enforcement Dispatch
- **Note as many details as you can.** Where was your vehicle parked, the time frame, anything else you may notice. Take pictures if possible.
- Have a list of items that were taken. Include as much detail as possible, including serial numbers, brands, etc.
- If your **credit or debit cards** were used, obtain the information found on the form on the next page.

Red Rock Canyon is safe, but we are near a major metropolitan area. Make the same smart choices you would in any large city and enjoy your visit to our beautiful conservation area with peace of mind.



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What we need from you:

- What was stolen?
- Where was your credit card used (name of store, address, store number)?
- Date/time of transaction
- Amount of transaction
- Is there a cash register number?
- Is there a merchandise identification number?
- What did they purchase?
- 16 Digit Card Number

You will have to contact you bank or credit card companies to get this information to our department. The banks or credit card companies will not give our department this information over the phone or in person. Without this information, we will not be able prosecute said suspects.

If suspects are located, identified, charged and a court date has been assigned to this case, you will have to testify. Do not worry, if you are visiting Las Vegas, the U.S. Attorney's Office Victim Witness coordinator will arrange your travel for you.