



Safety & Crime Prevention Tips from the West Palm Beach Police Department

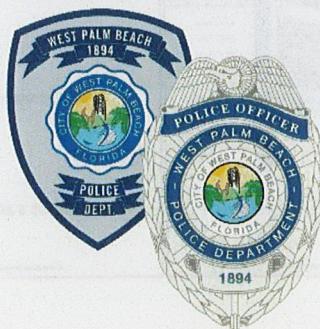
Desire, ability and opportunity are three key factors that influence crime. By minimizing the opportunity for crime, you can reduce crime by following simple prevention tactics. The West Palm Beach Police Department encourages you to be aware of your surroundings when out in public.

Be prepared with these important safety tips:

- Be alert and aware of the people around you.
- Be aware of locations and situations which would make you vulnerable to crime, such as alleys and dark parking lots.
- Whenever possible, travel with a friend.
- Stay in well-lit areas as much as possible.
- Avoid doorways, bushes and alleys where someone could hide.
- Walk confidently at a steady pace.
- Make eye contact with people when walking.
- Do not respond to conversation from strangers on the street - continue walking.
- If you carry a purse, carry it securely between your arm and your body. Although a purse-snatcher's intent is to steal the purse, your personal safety may depend on not clinging to it.
- Do not wear anything that will impede your vision or hearing (i.e. headphones).
- **CALL THE POLICE IMMEDIATELY** if something happens to you or someone else - dial 911.
- For police-related matters that are non-emergencies, call the non-emergency number at (561) 822-1900.

For information about the West Palm Beach Police Department, please visit:

<https://www.wpb.org/government/police-department/department-overview>. To call the West Palm Beach Police Department's non-emergency number, dial (561) 822-1900 (TTY: 800-955-8771). In the event of an emergency, dial 9-1-1.



Additional Police Resources

wpb.registry.cam – Register your security cameras with WPBPD. This program assists officers in locating cameras a crime occurred. The police department *does not* have access to your cameras, just their location.

intel@wpb.org – Email security camera footage or send crime tips to WPBPD's Strategic Intelligence Center.

westpalmbeachpd.policetocitizen.com/reportincident – Start an online report, respond to a request for additional information from our staff or view the unofficial copy of an incident report that was submitted online.

Helpful Numbers

561-822-1900 Police non-emergency line. For emergencies, call 911.

561-822-1465 Code Compliance line – to report violations.

561-822-1701 Narcotics line. Callers may remain anonymous.

(800) 458-TIPS (8477) Crime Stoppers of Palm Beach County.

New Smart Phone App

The City of West Palm Beach created a smart phone app called **WPBKey**. Users can report issues to Code Enforcement, Parking Administration, Public Works, etc. Users can also attach photos with their submission.

