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New Year's Checklist

Happy New Year!

San Gabriel Neighborhood Watch hopes all your holidays were pleasant. If you are like many people, you exchanged gifts during this season. However, just because the holidays have passed, you can't put your guard down. You must still be vigilant, alert, and report all suspicious activity. Below are just a few things you should do as we start this New Year to keep from becoming a victim:

- If you received electronic items as gifts, be sure to break down the boxes and place them in the proper trash receptacle (you don't want to advertise what items you have in your home).
- The New Year is a good time to write down serial numbers and descriptions of items. You should also take pictures of jewelry (use a black background and lay items next to a yard stick) and don't forget to write a brief description of it. You can also choose to go through your home with a video recorder. Describe items in each room and give serial numbers when possible.
- Make two copies of your serial number and jewelry list or video; keep one in a safe place at home and the other in your safe deposit box or other safe place away from your home in case that list is taken or destroyed.
- Review all credit card and bank statements.
- Request a free annual copy of your credit report from one of the credit reporting bureaus every 4 months.

Review it for any discrepancies and/or unauthorized credit report checks.

- Equifax: 1-800-685-1111 or www.equifax.com
- Experian: 1-800-397-3742 or www.experian.com
- TransUnion: 1-800-916-8800 or www.transunion.com
- Don't forget to get a copy of your child's credit report and review it too.
- After you've removed the decorations and taken down holiday lighting, take a home security survey of your home. Check your outside lighting; is it adequate and are the motion detectors or dusk to dawn lights working properly?
- Check all the locks on your doors and windows. Be sure they work properly or have them repaired.
- If you have a camera on your home be sure it is working properly.
- If you have an alarm monitoring system, call the alarm company to check that it's working properly. If your alarm company signs are faded, ask if they will provide you with new ones.
- Update your computer firewalls and antivirus software.
- Check your fire and carbon monoxide alarms and replace batteries if needed.
- Put together a family emergency plan and update out of state telephone contacts.
- If it has been a year since your last Neighborhood Watch Block meeting or you've never had one, it's time to talk to your neighbors about scheduling one. Please call the Crime Prevention Office at 626-451-5455 (We usually need at least a 2- or 3-week notice).

MEASURE SG



Maintain. Invest. Protect.



Learn more about the March 2020 sales-tax initiative »

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San Gabriel's City Council recognizes a pressing need to maintain and enhance public safety services and to invest in the City's infrastructure. To address these needs, the City Council has voted to place a 0.75% sales tax measure on the March 2020 ballot. The measure is anticipated to raise \$3 million per year for the City's General Fund, allowing the City to continue to provide vital services to its residents.

The measure would allow the City to invest local tax dollars to revitalize heavily used public spaces, including streets, community centers and parks.

Learn more about Measure SG by visiting **[MeasureSG.com](https://measuresg.com)**

Handouts: https://measuresg.com/wp-content/uploads/2019/12/FAQ-page_en.pdf

- <https://measuresg.com/faq-es/>
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