

# Oldham County Sheriff's Office Community Services Unit Media Release



**To:** All Concerned  
**From:** Sheriff Timothy R. Wakefield  
**Date:** 5/8/2024  
**Re:** Media Release Regarding Auto Theft and Thefts from Autos

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## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**Subject: Auto Theft and Thefts from Auto Prevention Tips**

### **Don't Leave the Keys in the Ignition**

Vehicles left unattended with keys in the ignition are easily targeted by car thieves. This dangerous practice allows for an easy theft or a joy ride by an inexperienced driver.

This commonly occurs around the neighborhood store, restaurant, coffee shop, or your driveway. Remain alert. Don't create an opportunity. Don't become a victim!

When leaving your vehicle at home or away always:

- Close Your Windows
- Turn off the Ignition and REMOVE THE KEYS
- Take valuables and garage opener inside
- Lock Your Doors!

You might only be a "minute" — but a minute is all a thief needs. Lock up your car and take your keys with you!