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Knock With No Answer Home Burglary Trend

GLENDALE, Ariz. – The Glendale Police Department has identified a trend emerging in residential burglaries where the suspect(s) knock first or ring the doorbell. When there’s no answer and the thieves believe there’s no one home, they try to break in, usually through a side or back door.

The Glendale Police Department is asking the citizens of our community to approach these situations a bit differently than the way they might want to react; **don’t stay silent.** If you are home alone and there’s a knock at the door, as quickly as possible, try to see who is at the door, without opening it. If you don’t immediately recognize the person(s), do not open the door, but let them know with a loud voice that there are people home. We even encourage you to tell them you are calling the police and then we actually want you to dial 911, preferably with a cordless phone so you can stay mobile.

As quickly as possible, make sure all doors are locked and then try and maintain observation of what the person at the door is doing. We ask that you “be a great witness”. Remember specifics about their physical description, what they are wearing and if you can see a vehicle connected to their arrival to your home.

If you have any questions about tips involving prevention of crime, please go to the following Glendale Police Department link for information:

<http://www.glendaleaz.com/police/education.cfm>

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