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Sheriff's Office Takes Safety Door to Door

WHEN: Saturday, December 5 from 9:00am to 2:00pm

WHERE: Command Post will be at the Spanish Springs High School

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The Washoe County Sheriff's Office is working with the Neighborhood Watch groups and Sheriff's Department Volunteers to remind residents of Spanish Springs "Lock it up for Safety."

This Saturday evening from 9:00 am to 2:00pm, staff and volunteers will be going door to door with handouts in the hopes of speaking with as many residents as possible. The effort is focused on encouraging residents to keep doors and windows locked in their homes and vehicles, a move which is proven to be a deterrent to crime.

"Statistics show a much greater likelihood of burglary or vandalism when doors are left unlocked," states Sheriff Mike Haley. "We are using the walk and talk approach to deliver information to residents, not only to study its effect in deterring crime, but also to strengthen our partnership with the community we serve."

Committed to the safety and security of the public, the Washoe County Sheriff's Office launched this pilot program in Hidden Valley in September as one simple step in the effort to reduce crime and crime trends in our County. This initiative is being expanded to the rest of the community.