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‘Tis the Season to Protect Your Property

We are well into the holiday shopping season and Eugene Police are hoping to use this time to highlight the importance of documenting your serialized and valuable property.

Every year, millions of dollars in property loss is reported to the Eugene Police Department. Just over a third of reported losses are recovered because serial numbers and/or important descriptive details were not known and therefore not reported. Many people do not think to record this information until it is too late. According to Propert Crimes detectives, documenting serial numbers is one of the easiest things you can do to protect yourself in the event of a property crime.

To help people document valuable property that they have purchased, the Eugene Police Crime Prevention Staff have a form to easily record the identifying information.

For emergencies and crimes in progress call 9-1-1. To report crimes that have already occurred that are not emergencies, please call the non-emergency line at 541.682.5111. There is also the online reporting tool at http://www.eugenepolice.com (report a crime). Using this online citizen police report system allows you to submit a report immediately for vandalism, criminal mischief, graffiti, hit and run, illegal camping, and to provide anonymous drug/crime/behavioral activity tips.

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