

Site Protection

Due to COVID-19 and current social distancing practices, there are likely fewer employees and trades present on your job sites or in your showhomes. During these times, it is important to take the necessary steps to keep your sites, employees, and trades safe from theft.

Here are a few tips on how you can help the Edmonton Police Service (EPS) keep your sites safe:

- **Report everything.** The EPS will send more resources to 'hot spots' where a higher number of thefts are happening. If you report everything, no matter how minor, you will have a better chance of finding the perpetrator and deterring future thefts in the area.
 - [Report property crimes online](#), and direct non-emergency calls to 780-423-4567. If there is a crime in progress, call 9-1-1 immediately.
 - Capture any evidence by taking pictures or videos if possible and record anything that might help an investigation.
- **Protect your site.** If possible, have CCTV cameras on site, put GPS trackers on large and expensive items, lock up or chain your equipment, and record the serial numbers of your tools and equipment. This can help prove what is yours if there is a theft and your items are re-sold online.
- **Neighbourhood watch.** Builders are initiating incentive programs for neighbours to keep a look out for any suspicious activity. More than ever, people are working from home so there is an opportunity to use your homeowners to help keep their community safe.

The safety of our members and industry is extremely important to CHBA-ER. Please use the tips above to help keep yourself, your employees, your trades, and your sites safe. We would also like to thank the EPS for their hard work in keeping us all safe.