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## If you are a victim at home...

- If you arrive at home and suspect a stranger may be inside, **DON'T GO IN.** Leave quietly and call 911 to report the crime.
- If you are attacked on the street, make as much noise as possible by calling for help or blowing a whistle. Do not pursue your attacker. Call 911 and report the crime as soon as possible.
- If you have been swindled or conned, report the crime to your local police or district attorney's office. Con artists count on their victim's reluctance to admit they've been duped, but if you delay, you help them get away. Remember, if you never report the crime, they are free to cheat others again and again and you have no chance of ever getting your money back.

## What you can do to help:

- Work to change conditions that hurt your neighborhood — Volunteer as a citizen patroller, tutor for children, office aide in the police or fire department, mentor for teens, or escort for individuals with disabilities.
- Contact your local American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) for more information on how to get involved in other community programs.

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For further information on this program and other crime prevention material, write to:

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# Crime Prevention Tips for Seniors



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