



## Campus Cops Corner

### ***-Public Safety Tips for the PPCC Community-***

#### **Public Safety Bi-Weekly News Newsletter**

"Campus Cops Corner" is intended as a short read to provide members of the PPCC community with crime prevention tips and updates on PPCC happenings as they relate to Public Safety.

We hope you find it of some use.

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#### **"Puffers"**

It's that time of year when early mornings greet us with frosted windshields as we walk to our cars for the trek into work. Many of us have developed the habit of starting our cars and leaving them unattended while the defroster does its work.

One in five (20%) stolen cars had the keys in them. Auto thieves speak of looking for "puffers," i.e., cars spewing visible exhaust, which are left unattended in driveways, day care centers and convenience stores. These vehicles are then often used in other crimes. In addition to constituting a traffic infraction, it's not very environmentally friendly.

Too many victims of car theft end up lamenting, "I only went inside for minute...."

Don't be victim. "Lock it, and pocket your keys."

Stay safe.



#### **Important Numbers & websites:**

- 24-7 Emergency Number: 502-2911
- Emergency Alert Sign Up: [www.ppcc.edu/alert](http://www.ppcc.edu/alert)