

REALTORS® Share Safety Tips

- ♦ Trust your gut. 100 percent of the time. Say no when it feels wrong. No deal is worth putting your life at risk.
- ♦ Communication is key. A short text or call to let people know where you are or where you're going is not only a good practice, but you will find it gives some peace of mind.
- ♦ Don't have your hands full when approaching your vehicle; have your keys in hand so you don't have to fumble around, especially at night.
- ♦ Get in your car and go. Don't dilly-dally.
- ♦ Have a charged cell phone with you at all times.
- ♦ Always use the pronoun 'we' when promoting an open house.
- ♦ Know where the doors are when conducting an open house. Put jingle bells on the door knobs so you can hear people entering rooms. Text a smiley face every 15-20 minutes to let your contact person know that you're OK. Also be on the phone with your contact person as you are locking up.
- ♦ First interaction is a strong indicator of a client's intention. If a person's first comment is regarding your appearance, it indicates that business is not their top priority.
- ♦ How you carry yourself will make a huge difference. If you are confident and look them in the eyes, they will question if you would make a good victim.
- ♦ Don't use social media to provide information about your daily routine or any information that would help someone determine your whereabouts. Never post information about future activity.
- ♦ Do a Google search of yourself to make sure no one else is trying to pass themselves off as you.