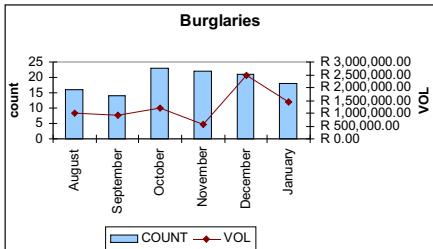


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CGC Crime Prevention

February 2005



Financial losses estimated at R7.5 Million over the last 6 months were suffered by burglary victims. In January 18 burglary incidents was reported to the Crime Offices with a financial loss of R1.4 Million, thus an average of approximately R80 000 per burglary incident for January. Stores are advised to take a close look at their stores physical security. Put yourself in the shoes of a criminal and think how you would break into the premises - then act.

A few point to consider:

- Securely lock all possible entrances and exits overnight,
- Use a good-quality safe to protect valuables,
- Make use of secure cages in your stockroom,
- Install a burglar alarm using an approved installer,
- Consider CCTV - it works best when combined with other security measures.
- Keep boundaries secure - restrict access to drainpipes, flat roofs and other buildings.

It remains a fact that businesses are more at risk of crime than private households. Reducing the risk of crime will help protect your profits and make sure that the people who work with you are safe.

Another strategic way in doing valuable analysis is by having photo's of the suspects. The CGC Crime Prevention Office would like all who load and report incidents to PLEASE send our offices any

CCTV footage and/or photo's for all schedule 1 incidents (Hi-Jacking, Armed Robberies, Burglaries and Cash in Transit) to ed@cgcsa.co.za

Employees Reference Site:

The ERS database is getting larger by the day. At present we have got 123 708 names on the database. In the past few months our registered companies have grown to over 800 and will be increasing shortly due to the ID Cards being implemented for drivers and promoters for 31 March 2005.

With the industry participating to the extent it already is, we expect to see the ERS database grow greater each month. Just since December last year, the database has increased by almost 4000 names, with terminations coming in daily.

We have had a great response from the new companies from the ID Cards initiative with sending in of terminations, and hope to see the rest begin to do so. This will increase the database further, providing benefit to the industry.

SAPS:

The communication and relationship with the SAPS is also being developed on a provincial level. The CGC Crime Prevention Programme is attending these meetings on a monthly basis country wide.

The Industry:

We would like all industries that are members of the CGC Crime Prevention Programme to please participate and attend the meetings that are held at least once a month.

ID Cards:

The ID Cards for drivers and promotions will be required at the back door of all the store groups on the 31 March, please do not delay and contact the offices as soon as possible on 011 789 1160 / idcards@cgcsa.co.za

Security Action Group Committee:

The first meeting for 2005 of Security Action Group Committee commenced on the 15 Feb, resulting in a new focus and vision for 2005. Implementing and maintaining the best practices and minimum standards within the industry is vital. The meeting will be once a month, all best practice developed (for all sub committees within CGC Crime Prevention Programme) will always be published on the website, please fell free to have a look on www.ecrcrime.org.za

SMS Instant Alerts (Amavuzo!!!)

We are proud to say we have named our SMS Instant Alert system, Amavuzo meaning warning in Zulu.

We strongly urge all members to please send the contact details for the SMS Instant Alert System, to receive the latest Schedule1 incident details. The CGC Crime Office is on call 24 hrs a day to receive and in turn send out these details via SMS. This is a great win for us, many success and arrests have been made through this communication channel. Joanne Van Wyk manages the database where all cell numbers are held, updated and added.