



POLICE DEPARTMENT  
CITY OF BURLINGTON

**MEDIA RELEASE**

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The Burlington Police Department would like to notify the community of targeted thefts of Hyundai and Kia vehicles. Due to a software malfunction, certain years and models of these vehicles are vulnerable to theft without a key. We have started seeing an increase in Hyundai and Kia vehicles being stolen, with suspects escalating to smashing windows and forcing their way into these vehicles.

Hyundai has launched an anti-theft campaign. Details can be found at the following link:  
<https://static.nhtsa.gov/odi/tsbs/2023/MC-10232190-0001.pdf>

To find out if your vehicle is eligible for a free software upgrade please contact:

- [Burlington Hyundai](#) at (802) 448-3891
- [Berlin City Kia of Vermont](#) at (802) 864-3905, ext. 3

Please be aware and take caution. Practicing a daily routine can help keep you and your belongings safe.

Friendly Reminder:

- Remove valuables from your car
- Lock car doors
- Store key fobs in a safe place, away from your car
- When possible, keep your car in garage or well-lit area
- When possible, aim security cameras at your parked car

For additional safety and crime prevention resources, please visit our website at  
<https://www.burlingtonvt.gov/Police/Safety-Crime-Prevention-Resources>

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