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FELONY LANE GANG SPOTTED IN KC METRO March 21, 2016!

Please take extra precautions as the notorious "Felony Lane Gang" has been spotted back in the Kansas City metro area. Last week we suspected them of breaking into four cars parked in a busy parking lot on the East side of Lee's Summit. Yesterday our suspicions were confirmed when they tried to pass a stolen check at a bank on the Kansas side of the metro.

This "gang" has been around for a few years now and appears to be based in Florida. They travel the entire U.S. and move in and out of areas so quickly they're difficult to catch. They target vehicles with purses left in plain sight. They will break windows if the vehicle doors are locked, even in crowded areas. Once they have a purse, they specifically look for checks and debit/credit cards. They are well known for altering checks and using stolen ID's to cash them at local banks. We are working with our banks to help them recognize these attempts at cashing the checks so they will notify Police if they spot them.

In the past, the Felony Lane Gang has targeted public and private pools, parks, and daycare centers. They've recently been active in both KS and MO.

Please forward this information to your friends and practice these prevention tips:

- 1. Never leave valuables in your vehicle.
- 2. Always lock vehicle doors.
- 3. If you're going to hide your purse in your vehicle, do it before arriving at your location. Professional criminals will monitor activity at their target location. If they see you put your purse in your trunk, you've defeated your own efforts.
- 4. Report suspicious activity immediately by calling 911 or our 24/7 nonemergency dispatch center at (816) 969-7390.
- 5. If you are a victim of theft, report any lost financial information to your bank immediately. Closing stolen/compromised accounts quickly is the best way to prevent additional loss.

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