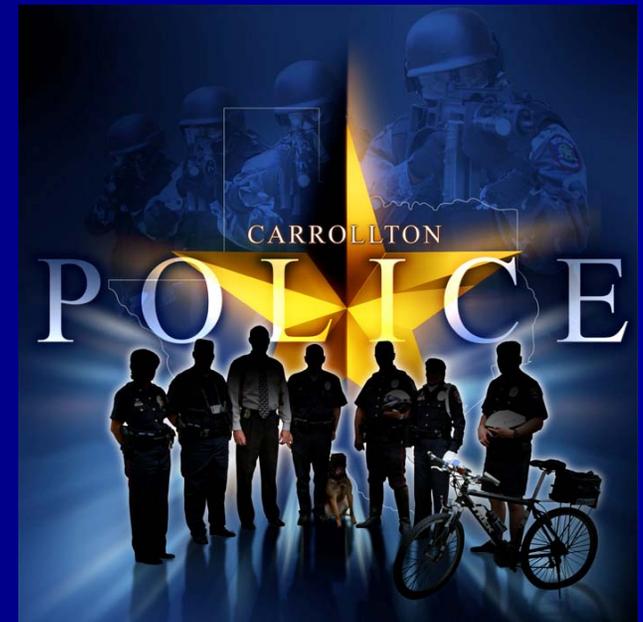




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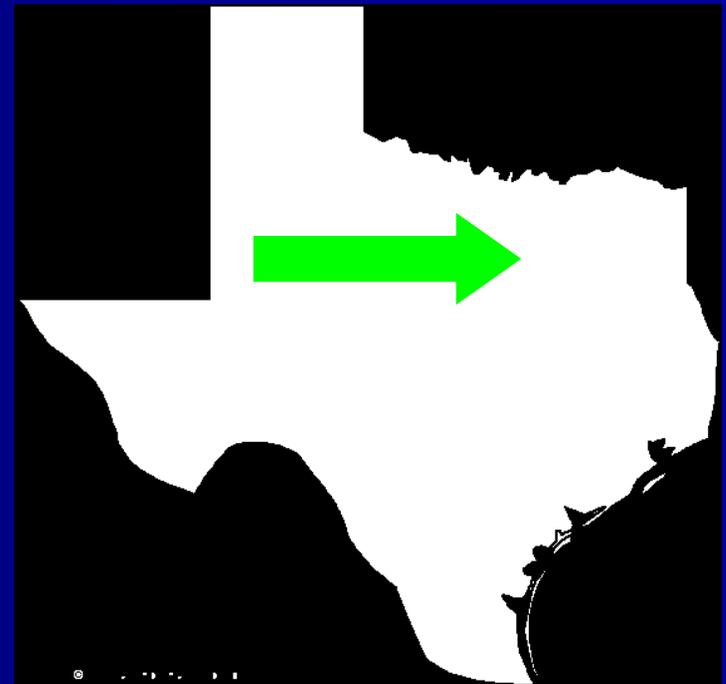
Community Problem Oriented Policing Team:

Reducing Vehicle Burglaries



City of Carrollton

- Dallas area suburb (North Dallas Area)
- Approximately 118,700 residents and 37 square miles
- Primarily single and multi-family residences
- Some light industry and warehouse



Police Department

- Sworn Officers: 157
- Non-Sworn Personnel: 72
- Operations Bureau, Patrol Division:
 - Authorized 80 officers
 - Usually staffed with 68-70 officers

Coordinating Problem Solving

Patrol Division



Day Shift (North/South)

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Power Shift

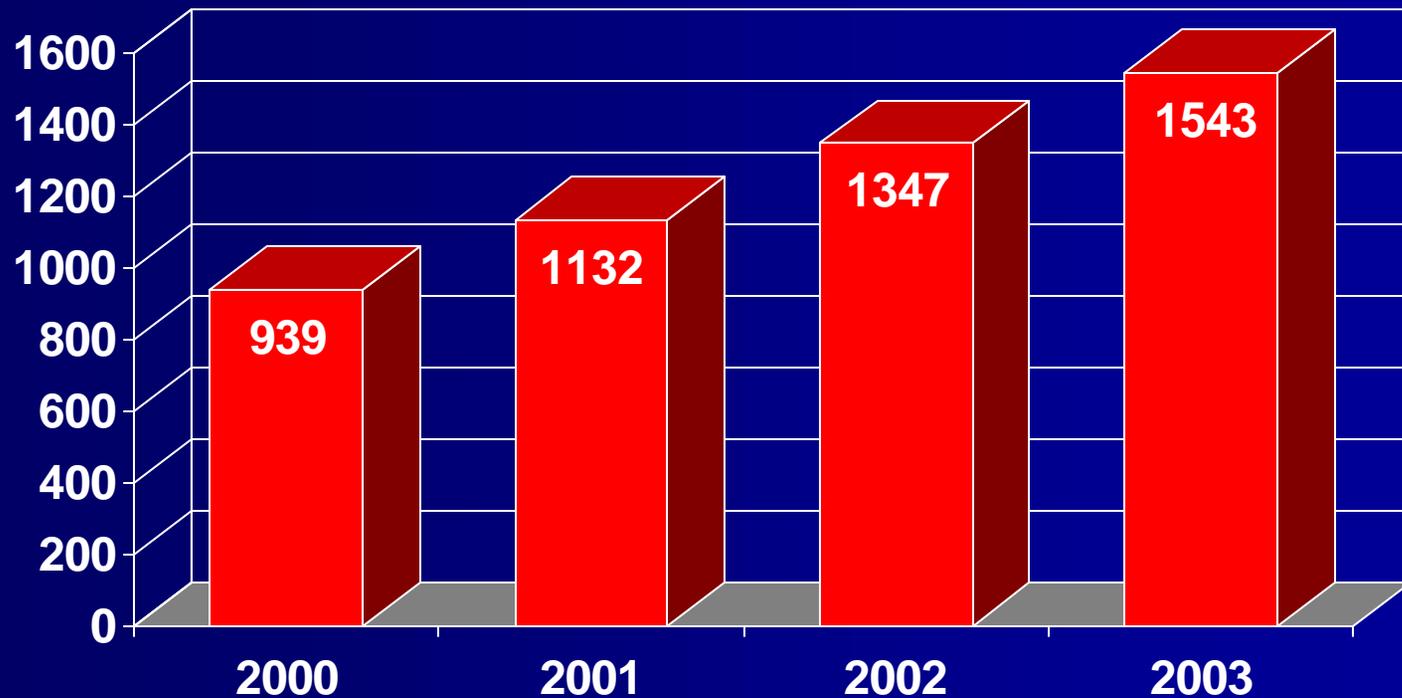
Operations Support Unit - K9

Problem Solving Guidelines

- Is it ethical?
- Is it legal?
- Is it the right thing for the community?
- Is it the right thing for the Carrollton Police Department?
- Is it within our policies and values?
- Is it something you can take responsibility for and be proud of?

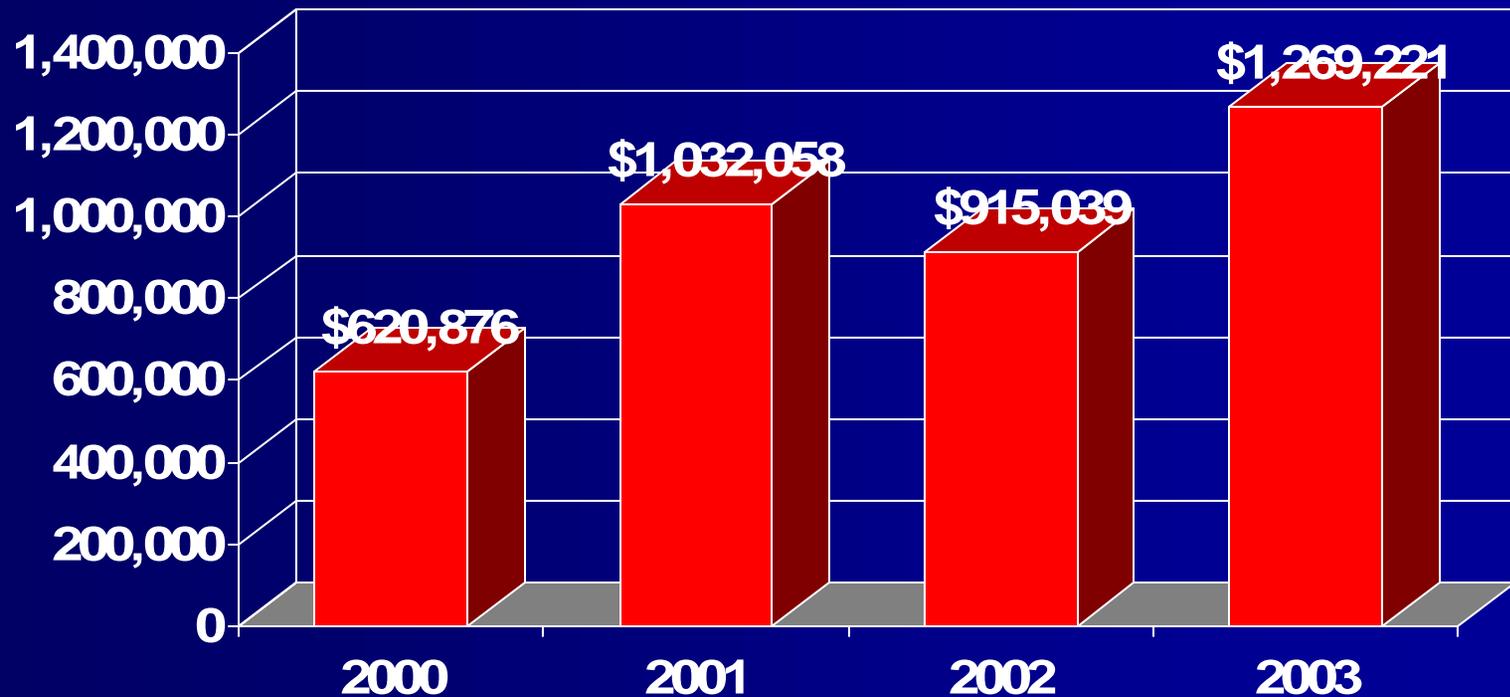
- ***If the team's answer to all of these questions is "yes," then plan the implementation and do it!***

Vehicle Burglaries in Carrollton: 64 % Increase from 2000 to 2003



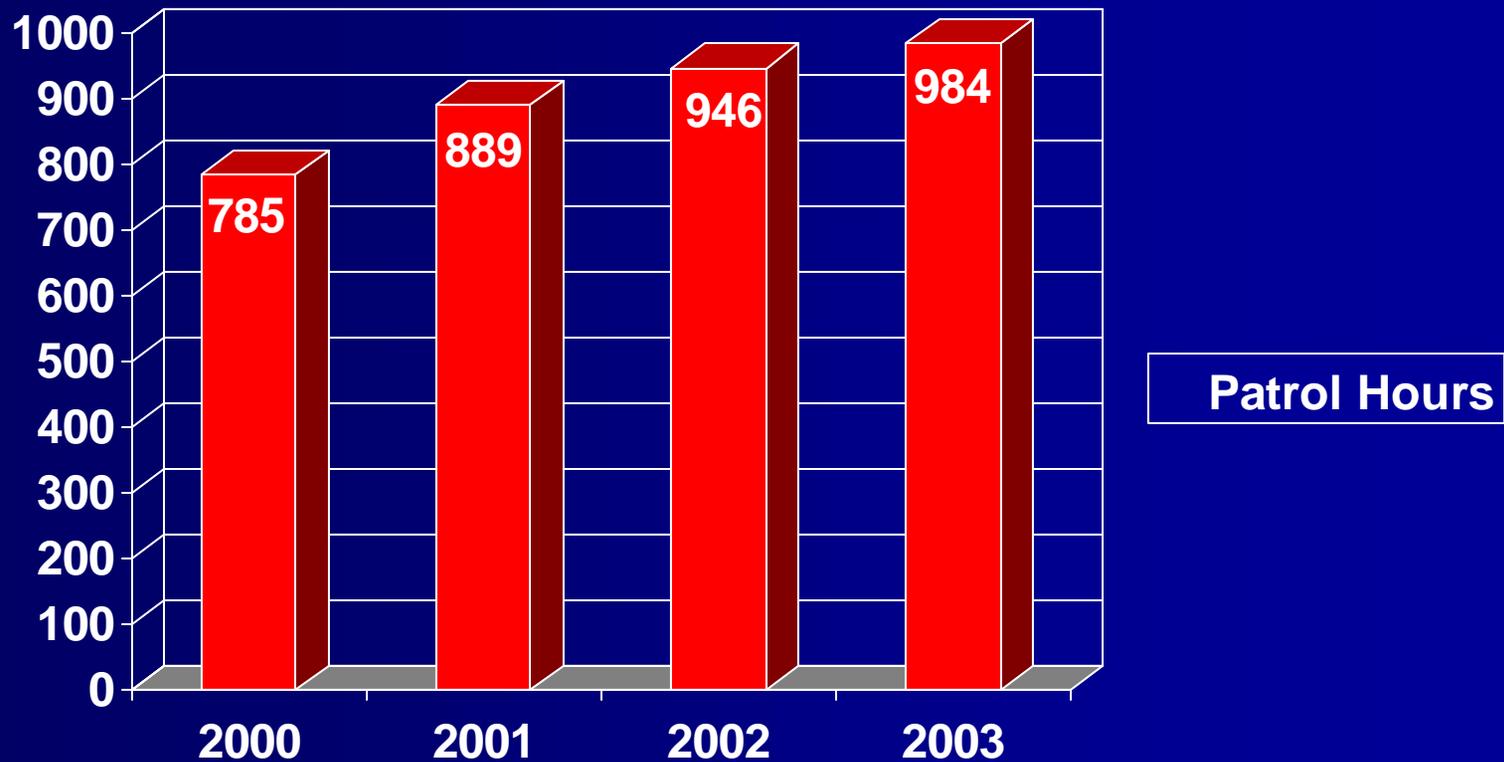
Reported Vehicle Burglaries

Damages and Losses to Vehicle Owners



U.S. Dollars

Officer Hours: Investigating Vehicle Burglaries and Taking Reports



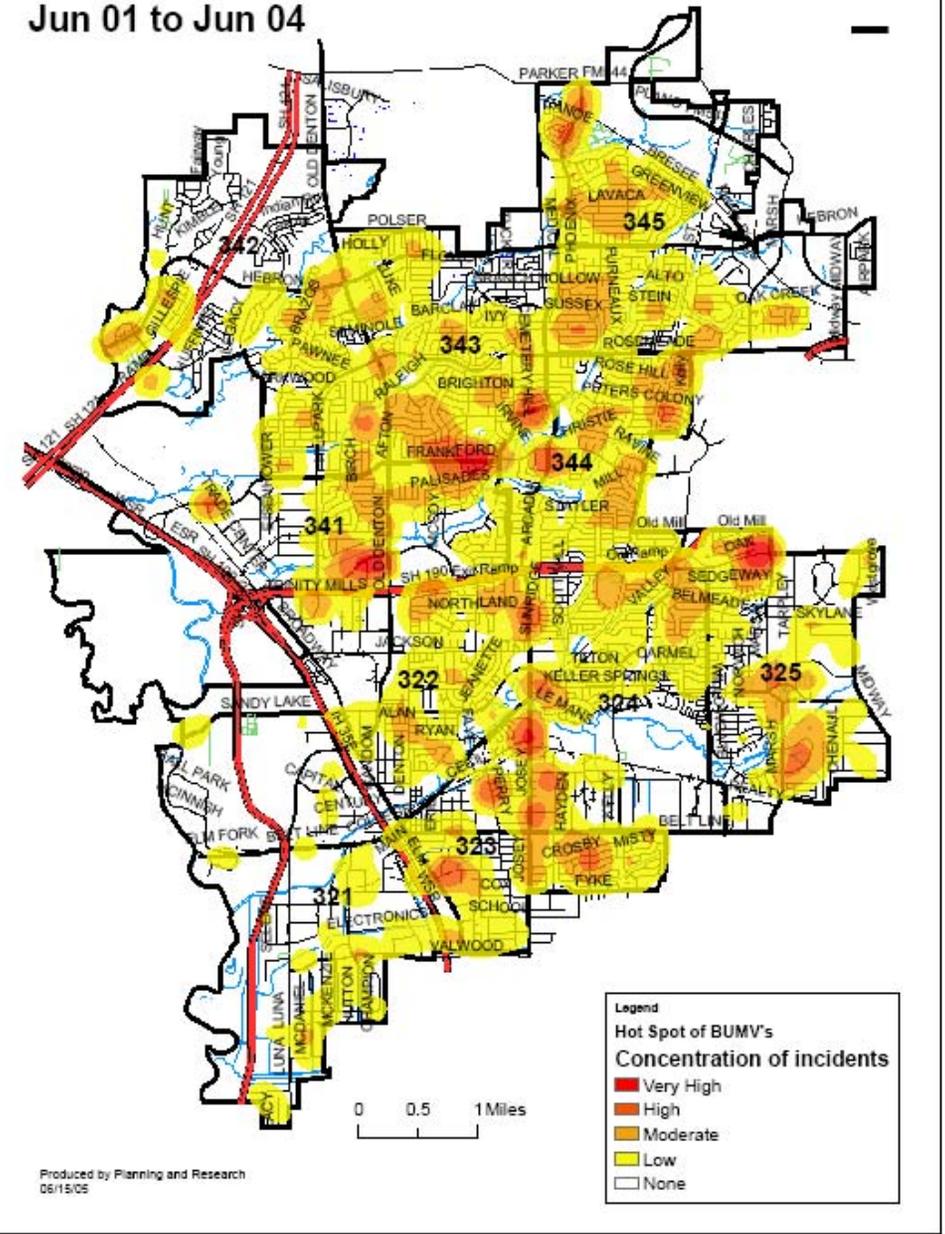
Analysis of Offender

- Mostly young (under 25 years old)
- Many offenders are school age since vehicle burglaries typically spike during school breaks
- Offenses committed during the nighttime
- Varying methods of entry, but offenders usually use one consistent method
- Offenses committed for personal gain

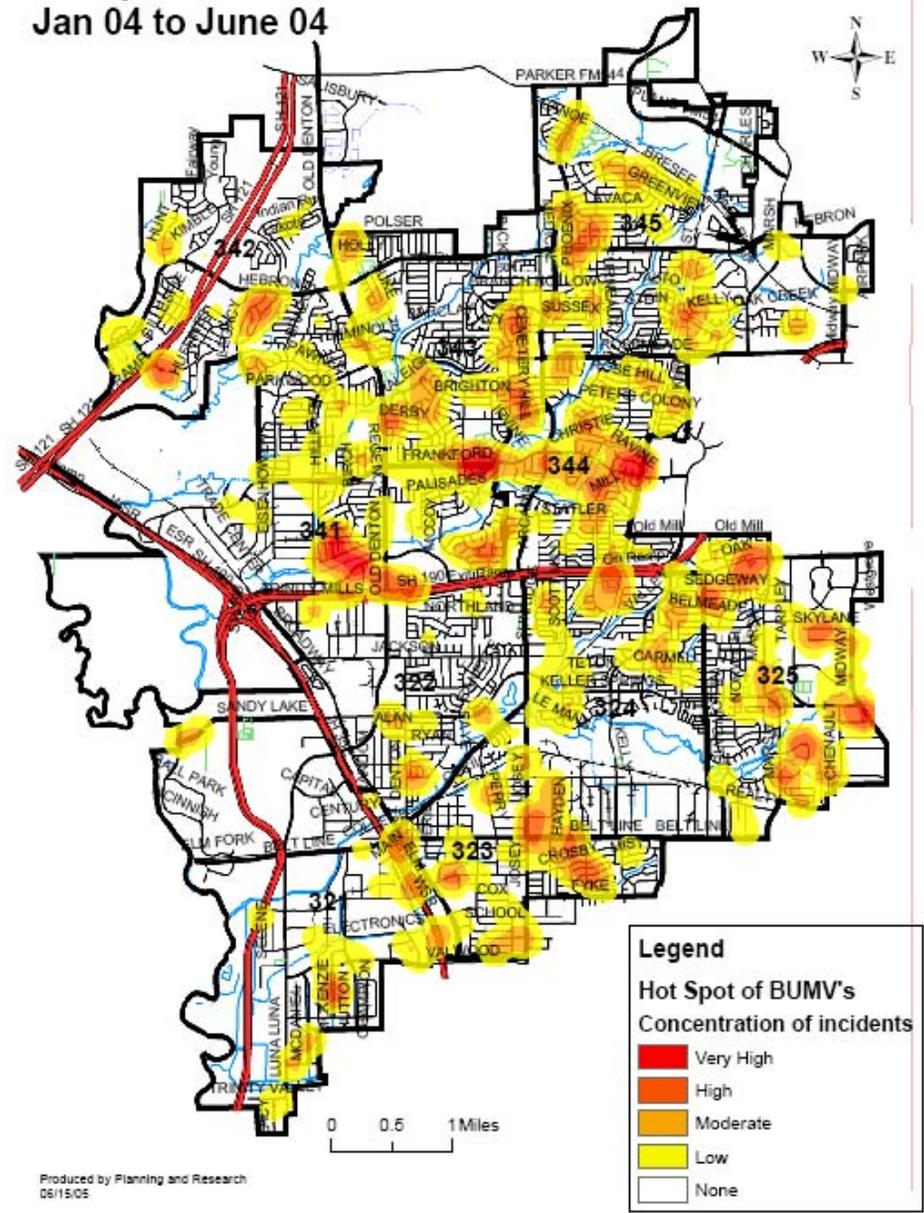
Analysis of Location

- Vehicle burglaries reported citywide, but some areas are consistently hit harder than others
- Target Areas:
 - Consistently burglarized over long term (as compared to surrounding areas)
 - Offenses currently being reported (as compared to surrounding areas)

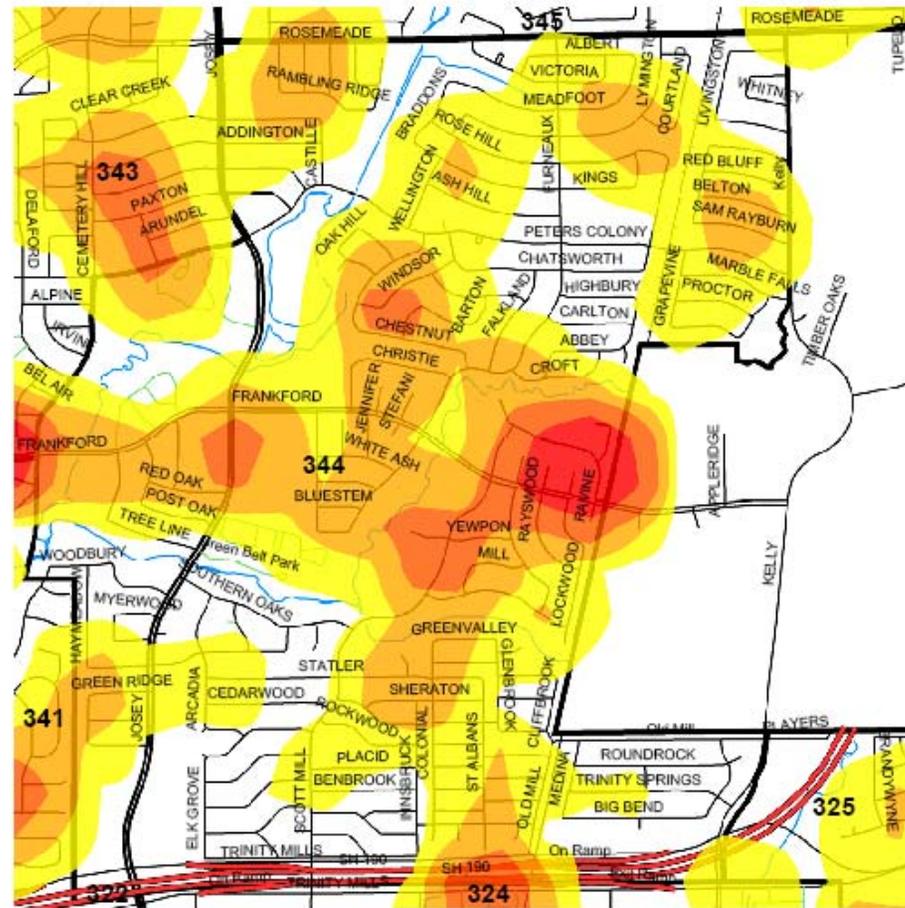
Hot Spot of BUMV Jun 01 to Jun 04



Hot Spot of BUMV Jan 04 to June 04



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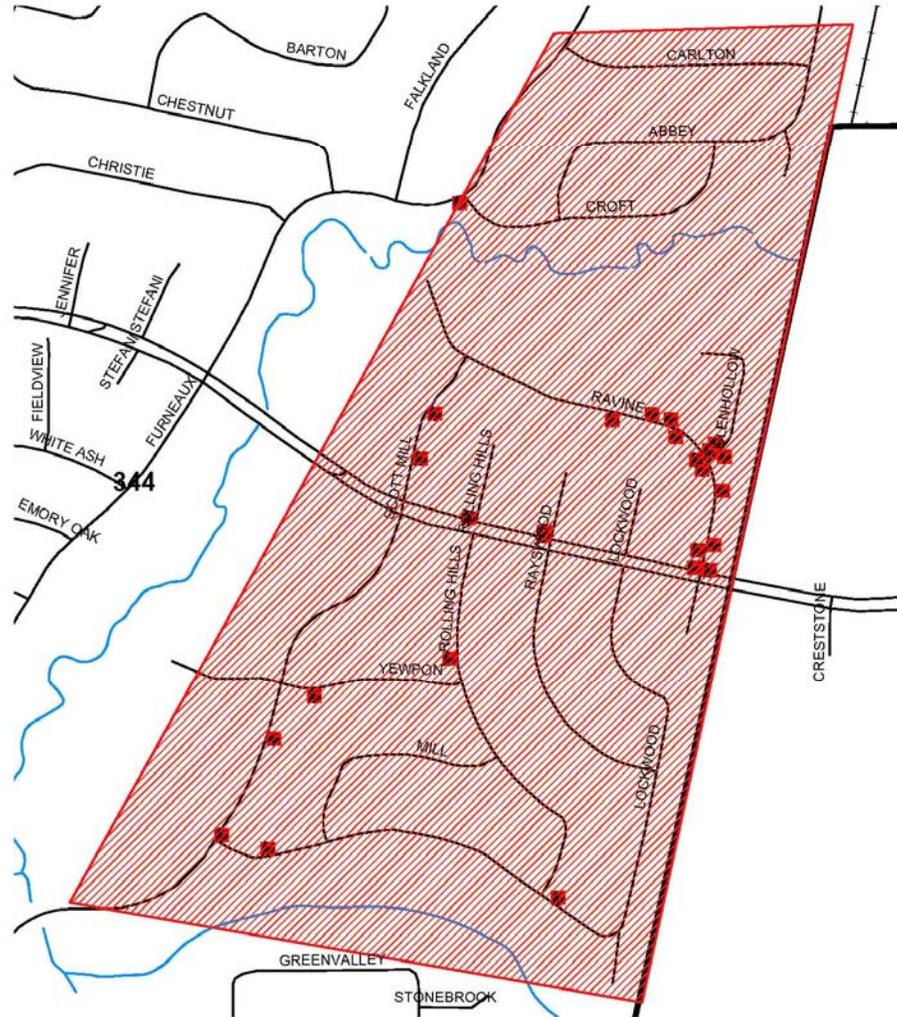
Legend

Hot Spot of BUMV's
Concentration of Incidents

| | |
|-----------|---------------|
| Very High | Red |
| High | Orange |
| Moderate | Yellow-Orange |
| Low | Yellow |
| None | White |

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BUMV Locations Jan 04 to June 04



0 0.125 0.25 Miles

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Legend
NATURE
■ BUMV-BURGLARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE

Analysis of Victim

- Victim owns or drives a vehicle
- Vehicle parked accessible to offender
- Property of value left in vehicle
- In many cases, victim does not lock or secure vehicle
- Victim can only give wide time gap during which offense occurred (usually 6-8 hours)

Vehicle Burglary Sequence

- Victim parks car outside, accessible to others
- Victim leaves the vehicle, often unsecured
- Victim leaves property of value in the vehicle, unsecured and in plain-view
- Offender enters area, looking into vehicles
- Offender sees property and enters the vehicle (by force or through open door/window)

Vehicle Burglary Sequence

- Offender flees the area, usually unapprehended
- Victim discovers burglary and reports offense
- Officer responds, searches for physical evidence, completes a police report
- Detective examines the report and follows-up on rare instances in which physical evidence or a suspect description exists

Communication Campaign

- City of Carrollton Reader Boards
*“Vehicle Burglary Rising
Lock Doors/Secure Valuables
Don’t be a Victim”*



Help End Auto Burglary

- * Lock Doors
- * Secure Windows
- * Hide Valuables

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