The City of Chicago recognizes that the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) has put a difficult burden on our small business community. We are committed to providing helpful resources throughout the evolving COVID-19 crisis.

We urge businesses to continue practicing methods to reduce theft at business locations.

**GENERAL TIPS TO PREVENT BUSINESS THEFT**

- Have a working alarm system in your business.
- Keep a minimal amount of lights illuminated in your business during closing hours.
- Keep cash hidden and secure while business is closed.
- Consider installing video surveillance on the inside and outside of your property. If a crime occurs, this is helpful to police.
- Maintain proper lighting over all entrances to your business.
- Be aware of this crime and notify other businesses.
- Call 911 immediately and provide a detailed description of any suspicious people, including any vehicle description and license plate information.

Resources for Businesses, Consumers and Employees impacted by the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Outbreak: [www.chicago.gov/BACPCOVID19](http://www.chicago.gov/BACPCOVID19)