Thanks to Saranam for having me come to speak to the new families who will be transitioning from homelessness to apartments for the next two years. The residents are on a great adventure in life learning to complete their educations, learn job skills, family and parenting skills and will be working or going to school during their time in residency. The residents will also be building a tenant/rental history of two years to help them on their way to finding an apartment when their time is up at Saranam. I have seen wonderful success stories for these families through the Saranam program and was thrilled to be able to teach the new residents some basic crime prevention lessons to help them be safer through their time in this valuable program.

Daily Property Crime in the Foothills: Tuesday, August 21, 2018

3 Stolen Vehicles: 12600-block of Lomas, unknown address on Dunes SE, 3000-block of Juan Tabo Blvd NE. (

1 Commercial Burglary: 100-block of Hotel Circle NE.

2 Residential Burglaries: 11800-block of Montgomery Blvd NE, 11305 Campo Del Oso Ave NE.

3 Auto Burglaries: 11900-block of Leah Ct NE, 1200-block of Sierra Larga Dr NE, 10700-block of Mountain Rd NE.

Entries: unlocked doors and breaking window. **Items left in unattended vehicles that were stolen**: Work tools. A purse with IDs, credit card, etc. Credit cards are now being used to make fraudulent charges.

Quick Take Away: It looks like our residential burglaries both had entries made through unlocked access points, a front window and a back sliding glass door. I recommend looking into the many gadgets at varied price points that can be placed at windows and sliding glass doors to prevent lifting or sliding windows out of the tracks. I also recommend doing a 'screen check' and making sure your window screens are not torn or loose. Some burglars remove the window screens and enter the dwelling through open windows covered by a screen. As always, see what's out there and select and install what fits your lifestyle and budget.

Be safe, Jill Garcia, Crime Prevention Specialist / ICPS, NCPS – APD, Foothills Area Command