### Free Program Overview

Register your vehicle(s) with CHPD which will allow us:

- To issue you a serialized decal that is to be placed in your rear window
- To stop your vehicle if it's being driven during the hours of 1:00am and 5:00am in order to determine if it has been stolen.

This program is designed for those who under normal circumstances do not drive their vehicle(s) during the hours of 1:00am and 5:00am.

It's very simple to become a part of this program and should you find that after some period of time this program doesn't fit your needs, it's very simple to opt out.

See inside for more details on how you can join in the fight and help make a difference in Citrus Heights.



### Join the fight

## BATTLE AUTO THEFT



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### **PRESENTS**

The
B.A.T.
Program
(Battle Auto Theft)



#### HELP BATTLE AUTO THEFT—REGISTER YOUR VEHICLE TODAY

**CITRUS HEIGHTS POLICE DEPARTMENT** is committed to finding innovative ways to help make our community secure and safe for its citizens.

We are offering this free program so that we can partner with our community in an effort to bring down the number of stolen vehicles in Citrus Heights.

**Auto theft** is a problem that exists in every major city in the United States and certainly is not uncommon in smaller communities, like ours.

Impacts to auto theft victims are many including expenses related to vehicle replacement, inconvenience and future insurance costs. Consequently, combating auto theft in our community becomes crucial.

The majority of stolen vehicles occur during the hours of 1:00am and 5:00am, probably while you are sleeping. It's unlikely that you would even know that you've been a victim of this crime until the following morning. By that time, your vehicle may have already been used in the commission of a crime. The sticker will alert our officers that participants in this program are not likely to be driving during those hours therefore the officers can focus on the investigation of a possible auto theft.

This program is called **BATTLE AUTO THEFT** 



#### **REGISTERING YOUR VEHICLE**

Through voluntary registration, owners may enroll one or all of their motorized vehicles. Your information will be registered into a law enforcement database in Citrus Heights. You will receive a serialized decal which should be affixed to the rear window of your vehicle. The decal signals to any local law enforcement officer that you have authorized them to stop your vehicle between the hours of 1:00am and 5:00am to determine if you or an authorized designee is driving.

Remember, by enrolling you are indicating that the vehicle is owned by someone who is unlikely to be driving between the hours of 1:00am and 5:00am and, therefore the vehicle may been stolen.

You will need to complete a separate consent form for each vehicle you wish to enroll. The following requirements must be met:

- The vehicle must be registered to the person completing the enrollment form.
- The vehicle must be registered to a Citrus Heights address.
- The consent form must be signed by the registered owner or one of the registered owners in the event of multiple parties.

Your signature on the form gives law enforcement officers permission to stop this vehicle during the ascribed time period. The waiver states you will not hold the agency or its officers liable for any reasonable actions that result from the vehicle being stopped.

As a participant, your signature also confirms that you will remove the decal from the vehicle when you sell or transfer ownership of the vehicle.

**IN THE EVENT YOU ARE STOPPED** during the hours of 1:00am and 5:00am, here are a few tips to remember:

- Turn off your vehicle and turn on your interior light to ensure the officer can see you.
- Listen for any instructions given to you by the officer.
- We're sure you are aware that you are required by California law to carry the following items any time you operate a motor vehicle:
  - Valid Driver's License
  - · Current Vehicle registration
  - Valid proof of Insurance

State law allows officers to tow moving vehicles under the following circumstances:

- The driver does not possess a valid driver license.
- The driver's license status is suspended or revoked or the person is driving outside the conditions of the license.
- The driver is operating the vehicle under the influence.

Lastly, do not forget that your participation is voluntary. Just contact the Citrus Heights Police Department and request a B.A.T. application form. It's that simple!

If an officer stops your vehicle during the hours of 1:00am and 5:00am and it has the B.A.T. sticker in the rear window, then you know that we are working together to defeat auto theft in Citrus Heights.