Your Ultimate Home Defense CHECKLIST

Fortifying Your Home
- Install exterior lighting for all sides of your house and yard
- Keep your doors, windows and garage locked when you're home and away
- Keep grass maintained and bushes trimmed (especially those near entry points)
- Keep windows clean, clear of clutter and securely locked
- Keep valuables such as jewelry, laptops or other electronics out of plain sight
- Install an alarm system and set it every day

Your Home Defense Firearm
- Keep your designated home defense firearm loaded and in its proper location
- Designate an age-appropriate family member to retrieve the firearm in an emergency
- Obey all federal and state safe storage laws

Calling For Help
- Know where the phone is located (even in the dark)
- Designate one family member to call 911
- Give your family instructions on what to do and say when the police arrive

A Plan For Your Family
- Observe your surroundings when entering and exiting your home
- Assign tasks to each family member in the case of a home invasion
- Designate a safe room or location where the entire family should meet
- Designate an exit strategy and meeting place if you're forced to leave
- Define commands and who should issue them to the intruder(s)
- Define a family code word to identify who and where you are

Investing In Your Security
- Locking Metal Screen Door
- Security Alarm System
- Additional Exterior Lighting
- High-Security Door Locks
- High-Security Casement Windows