

## ◎ Making Aomori Prefecture Safe and Secure

### ■ Watch out for street crimes (common crimes)

#### ○ Luggage theft

Characteristic of this crime: Deviously take money and valuables without permission.

Keep accountability of you belongings.

#### ○ Theft from vehicles

Characteristic of this crime: Steal money and valuables from vehicles.

Secure and lock your vehicles at all times; don't leave belongings inside a vehicle.

When you leave your vehicle even for short a while, be sure to lock all doors.

#### ○ Bicycle theft

Characteristic of this crime: Steal somebody's parked bicycles.

Be sure to lock your bicycle; using two locks are recommended.

When you find an abandoned bicycle, please report to the nearest police box or residential police box for possibility of a stolen bicycle.

#### ○ Snatch

Characteristic of this crime: Steal belongings such as purses when you brush pass the perpetrator.

Be sure to secure your belongings at all times.

When you put your baggage onto the basket of a bicycle, ensure the handle of the baggage will not stick out of the basket.

#### ○ Steal from a hotel room

Characteristic of this crime: Sneak into somebody's room at a hotel, and steal money from the room.

Be sure to lock your room door when you leave.

### ■ Protect yourself from sexual crimes

#### ○ Pay extra careful when you take a walk at night

- Choose a brighter street when you walk at night

- Do not use a smartphone or music player while you are walking.
- Be sure to secure your entire house
  - When you enter your home, ensure no one forces their way behind you.
  - When you return home, be sure to lock all doors with door chain.
- Don't open the front door without precaution
  - Before you open your door, verify the person through the door scope before allowing entry.
- Be cautious when you get in elevators
  - Try to avoid encountering a male stranger when you are alone.
- Be mindful of unauthorized photography
  - Watch for suspicious people in stairways and escalators of railroad station, bookstores, etc.

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■ Protect juveniles from drug abuse

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- What is drug abuse?

Drug abuse: To use the medicine out of its medical purpose, or to use medicine which has no medical purpose.

Examples of drug abuse:

Methamphetamine, Marijuana, MDMA, Cocaine,  
Heroin, Magic Mushroom,  
Psychotropic agents, Other dangerous drugs

- ※ What are dangerous drugs:

Dangerous drugs are often referred to as 'Legal herbs' when sold however, regulated drugs are dangerous and affect the human body negative.

- Background of drug abuse

- Young adults often have misunderstandings of drug abuse:

Drugs are effective in weight loss; One time use is no problem; I can stop using drugs at any time.

- Some young adults abuse drugs because they view them as fashionable and socially accepted.

- Say NO to Drug Abuse

- Understand drug abuse
- Don't give in to peer pressure
- Foster a good healthy lifestyle