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CRIMEWATCH

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Keeping You Safe, One Alert at a Time!



Blackshark CRIME IN FOCUS: WHAT'S HAPPENING NOW?

As we step into February, crime trends continue to evolve, demanding heightened awareness and strategic security measures. The shift in criminal tactics is concerning, with perpetrators adopting more sophisticated methods to evade law enforcement. January saw a rise in smuggling busts, high-profile robberies, and cross-border hideouts, but February has ushered in a new wave of threats. From well-coordinated inside jobs at businesses to alarming carjackings in urban centers, criminals are evolving – and so should your security strategy.



Urban Crime Shift: The once relatively safe business hubs of Harare are becoming crime hotspots. Organized syndicates are now targeting high-traffic business areas, such as shopping malls, corporate offices, and logistics companies. One recent case saw armed men storm a warehouse in Southerton, holding staff hostage as they made off with electronic goods worth thousands of dollars. These attacks are no longer random but highly calculated, executed with military-like precision. Do you have the right security in place to safeguard your assets?

Carjacking Surge: Imagine parking at a well-lit fuel station, only for your car doors to suddenly fly open as masked men jump in, ordering you to drive. This terrifying ordeal has become a grim reality for several motorists in Harare, as carjackers are now operating in teams, using sophisticated communication tools to coordinate their attacks. Reports indicate that once victims are subdued, vehicles are either stripped for parts or used in other criminal activities. The fear is real—will you be prepared?

Inside Jobs Exposed: Trust is everything in business, but when employees turn against their employers, the consequences can be devastating. In a shocking case this month, a warehouse in Willowvale lost more than \$50,000 worth of goods after an employee provided robbers with security codes and access times. The employee had been working at the company for over three years, which highlights the increasing need for regular vetting and surveillance of staff. Would your business survive such a betrayal?



CRIMES THAT SHOCKED US IN FEBRUARY

HARARE'S HIGH-STAKES BANK HEIST!

A seemingly ordinary day at a downtown Harare bank turned into a scene straight out of a movie. At exactly 11:15 AM, three heavily armed men entered the banking hall, disguised as clients. Within minutes, they drew their weapons and ordered everyone to the ground. The tension was unbearable as customers trembled in fear; hands raised in surrender. The robbers, acting with chilling precision, forced tellers to empty the cash vaults into bags. What made this heist even more daring was that they managed to escape in broad daylight, leading police on a high-speed chase through the city's congested streets. Thanks to swift coordination between law enforcement and private security, they were apprehended within hours. The lesson? Rapid response saves the day!





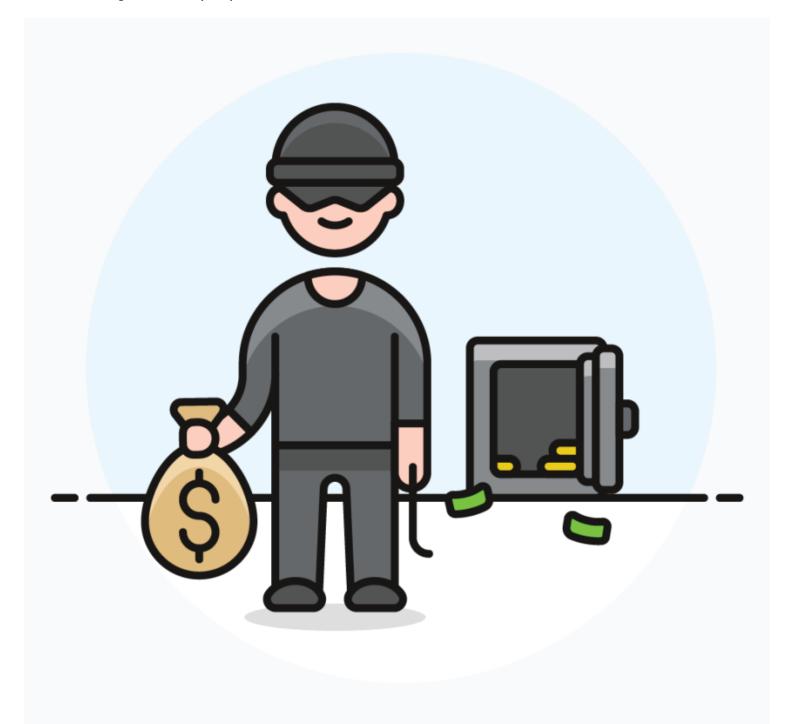
FAKE JOB SCAMS ON THE RISE!

Desperate job seekers continue to fall victim to cunning criminals posing as recruiters. In a recent case, over 15 young professionals were lured to an abandoned office complex in the city under the pretense of a job interview. Little did they know, they were walking straight into an ambush. Upon arrival, the 'interviewers' turned violent, forcing them to hand over their wallets, phones, and valuables. The criminals then fled, leaving the victims traumatized. This disturbing trend is growing, and authorities urge job seekers to verify employment opportunities before attending interviews. Would you recognize a scam before it's too late?



HOUSE INVASIONS AT RECORD HIGH!

Harare residents are on high alert following a surge in home invasions. Criminals, often armed with machetes and pistols, are targeting affluent neighborhoods, striking between 1 AM and 4 AM when residents are deep asleep. One recent victim, a 45-year-old businessman from Borrowdale, described his ordeal: 'I woke up to find masked men in my bedroom. They tied me up and demanded cash and valuables. The experience was terrifying. My family and I no longer feel safe in our own home.' The need for advanced home security solutions has never been greater. Are you protected?



BLACKSHARK SECURITY SOLUTIONS:

YOUR SAFETY, OUR PRIORITY!

CIT Services Now Available!

Blackshark Protection Services is proud to announce its latest offering—Cash-In-Transit (CIT) solutions! Businesses handling large cash volumes are prime targets for criminals. Our CIT service ensures that your funds reach their destination securely, with armed escorts and real-time tracking. Whether you own a retail store, fuel station, or corporate office, let us take the risk off your shoulders. Secure your transactions today!

RAPID RESPONSE NOW IN AVENUES!

The Avenues area has long been a crime hotspot, but help is now closer than ever! Blackshark's rapid response teams are officially patrolling the area, offering 24/7 emergency intervention at discounted rates. Whether it's a robbery, a break-in, or a suspicious person lurking nearby, we guarantee swift action to keep you safe. Are you prepared for an emergency? Sign up today and enjoy peace of mind at an unbeatable price!

ARE YOU PREPARED FOR AN EMERGENCY?

Security is not just about reacting—it's about proactive prevention. Many crimes can be deterred if the right measures are in place. Are you doing enough to protect yourself and your assets?

- Install CCTV & alarm systems—Criminals hate being watched.
- Train staff to spot suspicious behavior—Prevention is better than cure.
- Partner with a professional security firm—An expert team makes all the difference.
- Use vetted personnel for sensitive tasks—Trust, but verify.

Introducing Integrity Testing?

What is Integrity Testing?

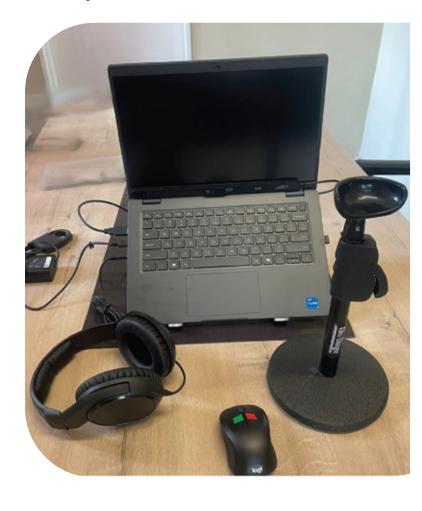
It's a proactive solution to assess and validate the trustworthiness of your employees, ensuring your business stays secure from within.

Benefits of Integrity Testing:

- Prevent internal theft and misconduct.
- Build a culture of accountability.
- Safeguard your company's reputation.
- Your Security Starts with Integrity.

Learn more about how we can protect your business from the inside out!

Contact us today for a free consultation!





Blackshark Milestones

Southern Region Wins Best Performance Award!

Congratulations to the Southern Region team for earning the Best Performance Award in this first round of 2025! This achievement reflects their dedication to upholding the company's theme: Quality and Excellence at Our Core.

A special commendation goes to the Protection Assistants, Supervisors, and the entire team—your hard work and commitment have set a high standard. As the saying goes, the strength of the team is each individual member, and the strength of each member is the team.

Best Performance Award Recipients:

- Regional Controller (Southern Region): Mr. Ngonidzashe Chogugudza
- Zonal Controllers: Mr. Joseph Matose (Pickstone Mine), Mr. Julius Dzingai (Gweru), Mr. Isheunesu Simbini (Bulawayo), Mr. Blessing Dzaramba (Masvingo)
- Area Controllers: Mr. Dereck Gavheta (Magaya Mining Walden), Mr. Ability Madhume (Sino-Zimbabwe),
 Mr. Robert Mtindi (Kadoma)
- Administration Officers: Ms. Christine Dube (Bulawayo), Ms. Yewukayi Mashora (Gweru/Kadoma), Ms. Eugenia Chimbera (Masvingo), Ms. Vongai Mpofu (Special Mines – Southern)

A heartfelt thank you also goes to the Senior Management and Executive Team for their unwavering support and leadership. Let's keep pushing for excellence—"Teamwork makes the dream work!"

Congratulations, Makorokoto, Amhlope to the entire Southern Region Team

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