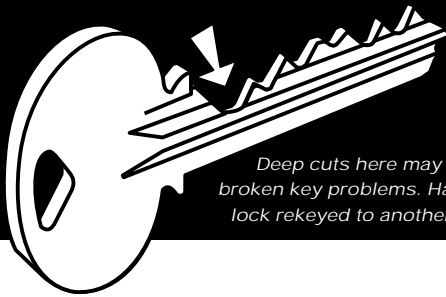


Broken Keys Can Be Prevented How You Can Avoid Them.

Broken keys are frustrating and costly. But broken keys can be avoided by solving problems before they happen.

The most common reasons for broken keys are worn keys, keys with deep cuts near the head and locks which need additional "force" to open or close.

Check out your keys; are they worn thin (this typically happens with automotive keys.) Have a new one cut by code. If your keys have an unusually deep cut at the head have the lock rekeyed to a different code. If your lock or key sticks have the door serviced so the lock works smoothly.



Deep cuts here may cause broken key problems. Have the lock rekeyed to another code.



Is Your Church Planning to Donate Their PA System to the Local "Grunge" Band?

There is a growing epidemic of crime in our local gathering places such as churches, schools and fraternal halls.

The valuables the burglars are after usually include the office equipment, computers, faxes and telephone systems. These facilities also have the one thing that any fledgling rock band wants—a PA system.

A Burglars Dream

The problem is that the typical church or meeting hall is a burglars dream. There are sometimes dozens of keys issued that fit the outside doors, the people there tend to be trusting, the building is empty for long periods of time, the equipment is new, you can't see who's inside the building from the street...the list goes on. Security is a real problem that needs

to be addressed, the building is stripped clean.

What Should You Do?

The first step is to regain control of the keys. Have your locks set up so there is only one access point to the facility and have that lock put on a non-duplicable key. Install locks on any of the storage areas (yes, if the PA equipment is left in the sanctuary, install locks to secure the

"The security in a church is a burglars dream."

sanctuary.) Designate "public use" rooms with an outside entrances. Issue keys for those rooms and install locks to keep people out of the rest of the facility. Use an alarm system to protect locked storage areas and offices.

The idea is not to limit the use of the facility, rather it is to control "misuse". If you would like to review the security

"Quotable Quotes"

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The Lord gave us two ends—one to sit on and one to think with. Success depends on which one we use the most.

—Anne Landers

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"As I see it, if you want a rainbow, you gotta put up with the rain."

—Dolly Parton

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"The best preparation for tomorrow is to do today's work superbly well."

—Sir Wm. Osler

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