HELP PREVENT **COPPER WIRE THEFT**



Copper wire theft is a costly and destructive problem causing thousands of streetlight outages throughout our community. As our Public Works Department works to keep the streetlights on and repairs sites every day, new locations of wire theft continue to occur.

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Nearly 1 million feet of wiring has been stolen since 2022!

REPORTING STREETLIGHT OUTAGES

Signs of wire theft include visible and exposed wires and missing covers on utility boxes and at the base of light poles. If a block of streetlights is out in a neighborhood, it can be an indicator that wire theft has occurred.

Report suspected theft and streetlight outages online through FixIt Clark **County:**



PLEASE NOTE IN YOUR REPORT AS MANY DETAILS AS YOU CAN:

- How many streetlights/poles are out of service?
- Is the light completely out or operating sporadically (blinking, dimming etc.)?
- If several lights are out, are the poles located next to each other or on different sides of the street?
- How long have the streetlights been out of service?



REPORT WIRE THEFT IN **PROGRESS TO 9-1-1**

If you see copper wire theft occurring, call 9-1-1 to report it to police as a crime in progress.



POTENTIAL SIGNS OF WIRE THEFT

- Watch for suspicious behavior near light poles and utility boxes, including individuals who may be loitering or kneeling near utility infrastructure or climbing poles.
- Beware of thieves wearing hard hats or construction vests to disquise their activities. County workers have County badges, vehicles and equipment, and set up safety zones as part of their work. Authorized contractors carry credentials as well as project numbers and plans. Beware of vehicles parked in no parking zones to hide wire theft activity. Thieves also exploit blind spots created by block walls and vegetation near light poles and electrical boxes on sidewalks to obscure thefts in progress.

