# The power of collaboration

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#### The 'wicked' problem

- An unprecedented increase in car crime with the problem reaching into the home
- Home burglary is now top of mind for the community









### Our approach

#### 'Wicked' problems require:

- Concerted and sustained approach
- Commitment from government and the private sector
- Relevant and consistent campaign
- Community by-in
- Collaboration across all stakeholders



#### Collaboration is critical

Government at all levels

**Government agencies:** 

VicRoads

TAC

Department of Justice and

Regulation

Department of Youth Affairs

**Youth Affairs Council of Victoria** 

**National Motor Vehicle Theft** 

**Reduction Council** 

**Police** 

**Crime Stoppers** 

**Neighbourhood Watch** 

**Insurance industry** 

**Smash Repair industry (VACC)** 

**Telematics industry** 

**Intelligent Transport System** 

**Original Equipment** 

Manufacturers (OEM)

Vehicle manufactures

**Auto Clubs (RACV)** 

**Academic institutes** 

**Community leaders** 



#### Why are we involved?

- RACV is proudly Victorian and committed to improving community wellbeing
- RACV is a reputable advocate on issues that matter most to our 2.1 million members and the Victorian community
- Credible and trusted brand enables us to help educate and change behaviour



### **Our strengths**

- RACV represents a large number of Victorians
- Trusted relationships with stakeholders including Government, Victoria Police, VicRoads, TAC
- Impactful communication channels
- Proven successful advocacy



THE GRAMPIANS
What to do and see

NEW CAR REVIEWS
Hyundai Elantra, Holden Spark

MOVEMBER Where \$850 million went



#### What we know about car theft?

- RACV paid out more than \$12 million for vehicle theft claims in 2015
- Average cost of a claim was \$12,084
- Vehicle thefts are most frequent between 6am and noon





#### What we know about home invasion?

- Many cars are stolen as a result of home invasions
- Aggravated burglary soared 65% in last two year and up 40% in 2016
- 32% of offenders in aggravated burglaries enter through an unlocked door





# **Technology**

- Cars are becoming more connected
- New technology enables tracking
- Digital fingerprints
- Traceable liquids





# What can the community do?

- Be vigilant don't be an easy target
- Share and act on information – greater communications within neighbourhoods
- Create local solutions for locally identified problems
- Prevention is the best measure of defence





### **Summary**

Reducing the rate of home burglaries and car theft will only be achieved through broad strategic alliances with a sustained focus on:

- Collaborative approach
- Changing people's behaviour
- Investing in technology solutions
- Engaging the community

