

# BLOCK WATCH PROGRAM



Neighborhood Watch, Block Watch, Town Watch, Crime Watch -- no matter what it's called, this is one of the most effective and free answers to crime. Watch groups are the foundation of community crime prevention and are often the stepping stones of community revitalization.

Law enforcement believes in "Neighbors Helping Neighbors" and works with groups to facilitate Block Watch programs. Block Watch brings residents and law enforcement together to improve safety and prevent crime. Safety improves when neighbors watch out for each other by reporting suspicious activity and in-progress crimes to 911. Crime prevention occurs when the opportunity for crime is removed and neighbors work together for a safer neighborhood.



## 3 PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS:

### ACTIVE MEMBER LIST:

Providing contact information to members allows everyone access to each other for neighborhood concerns.

- ◇ Collect contact information from participants.
- ◇ Prepare and distribute Active Member List to participants.

List should include: Names, addresses, phone numbers and e-mail.

### OPERATION IDENTIFICATION:

Operation ID is a burglary prevention program used in homes and businesses to record personal property and discourage burglary and theft.

- ◇ Take photographs and document personal property to include brand name and serial numbers.
- ◇ Keep information, along with purchase receipts, in a safe location.
- ◇ Display Operation ID sticker near exterior doors and windows.

### QUARTERLY MEETINGS:

Quarterly meetings ensure ongoing neighborhood relationships!

- ◇ Community BBQ's
- ◇ Game nights
- ◇ Holiday festivals
- ◇ Ice cream socials

FOR EMERGENCIES, CALL 911

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"Neighbors Helping Neighbors"

It's easy and convenient

Crime prevention for your family and neighborhood!

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