

What is Neighborhood Watch?

Neighborhood Watch is an organized group of citizens devoted to improving safety and reducing crime within a designated area by working together to patrol the streets and report suspicious incidents to local law enforcement.



Creating a Neighborhood Watch Program will help improve the community by taking ownership; combating crime; improving communication; creating partnerships; and building a more unified community.



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NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH PROGRAM



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CLEAN AND SAFE PROGRAM**

How to Get Started

1. The first step in organizing a Neighborhood Watch Program is to get your neighbors together to discuss the needs of the community. Contact the local police department ahead of time and invite them to have a representative present.
2. Create a communication system through email, text or phone so members can communicate easily and efficiently. By establishing a “phone tree,” each member is charged with notifying other members of important information. This ensures that news is disseminated as quickly as possible.



Regular meetings are important to creating a successful Neighborhood Watch Program.

How to Help

- Sign up to be a part of the group to protect your neighborhood
- Encourage others to get involved
- Observe your surroundings
 - BE ON THE LOOKOUT FOR THE FOLLOWING:**
 - Strangers loitering or cruising neighborhood houses, schools or parks
 - Doors or windows that appear to be tampered with
 - Out of the ordinary vehicles coming and going from a residence
- Stay calm and report any suspicious activity to the Riviera Beach Police Department

The Neighborhood Watch Program will help you take control of your neighborhood and lessen the chances of someone becoming a victim. It will also help build pride among the community and serve as a springboard for other efforts that address critical concerns.

Goals of a Successful Program

- Developing strong neighbor relations and keeping an eye on one another's properties.
- Educating residents to recognize suspicious activity and take appropriate action.
- Implementing other safety and crime deterrents, such as basic home security measures.
- Contributing to the reduction of home burglaries and other neighborhood crime.

With your help, we can keep our neighborhoods safe and protected!

Interested in starting a Neighborhood Watch Program?

Call the Riviera Beach CRA's Clean and Safe Program today at (561) 693-1169