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NEIGHBORHOOD CRIMEWATCH
VOLUNTEER INFORMATION

"No Crime on Our Watch!"



*"Know Your Neighbor...
Know Your Neighborhood"*

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Neighborhood Crime Prevention

Neighborhood crime prevention succeeds when homeowners work together with local police to reduce criminal opportunity using the three principles of deterrence, delay and detection. CrimeWatch Programs are proven to be a valuable aid for local police preventing criminal activity; when neighbors keep an eye out for suspicious activities or persons and quickly report the facts to the police, crime is deterred.

Knights Bridge Estates' (KBE) CrimeWatch Program is a balanced effort between volunteer block captains, resident participants and local law enforcement to disseminate up-to-date local crime statistics and to educate the residents how to report and cope with suspicious activities as they are observed.

How CrimeWatch Works

CrimeWatch is not designed to be a substitute for police protection. Rather it supplements police activities by providing extra eyes, ears and caring. Neighborhood CrimeWatch is "people looking out for one another" and is considered a major deterrent to crime.

Among its many functions, the program itself should:

- Increase citizen awareness of the impact of criminal activity on their community.
- Organize citizens into groups to channel efforts into a coordinated approach to crime prevention in their specific neighborhood.
- Encourage accurate and prompt reporting of crimes or suspicious activities in the neighborhood to police.
- Maintain a coordinated system for the circulation of educational information relative to neighborhood security and crime awareness.

Your Role as a Volunteer

The KBE CrimeWatch Program encourages residents to protect themselves and their property, and it promotes a non-violent vigilance within the neighborhood. CrimeWatch is strictly a volunteer effort with the opportunity to serve in one or both roles: Block Captain and/or Resident Participant.

Each role requires a minimal amount of commitment and responsibility as outlined below:

Block Captains:

- Captains maintain a contact list of resident members assigned to them, including name, phone, and email addresses.
- Captains participate in scheduled CrimeWatch events and meetings.
- Captains wear CrimeWatch T-shirts to all CrimeWatch events for easy identification.

Resident Participants:

- Provide contact information, such as email address, home and work phone numbers to designated CrimeWatch Block Captains.
- Report suspicious activity to the police department with as much detail as possible regarding any incident.
- Participants are encouraged to attend the annual CrimeWatch meeting to ensure the group's recertification to active status.

KBE's CrimeWatch Theme

"Know Your Neighbor" and *"Know Your Neighborhood"* has been a successful campaign theme since the establishment of the CrimeWatch Program for KBE residents and this year our focus expands to include a new theme...

"No Crime on Our Watch!"

We Need You...

We know that patrol officers cannot be everywhere at once. We also know that an area unwatched by its residents is an easier target. The best deterrent to residential crime is neighbors who care by looking out for each other.

Our KBE CrimeWatch Program is committed to making our neighborhood crime free... providing a safer, more secure environment in which to live and raise our children. By attending and participating in CrimeWatch events, you help strengthen our community.

If you have any questions regarding our CrimeWatch Program or would like to volunteer, please contact your KBE CrimeWatch Coordinators: Gerald at 972.238.7676 or Kimberly at 972.680.0796.

Please remember we need you to sign up and support our all inclusive KBE Neighborhood CrimeWatch Program to achieve our goal.

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