

JOIN Neighborhood Watch

I am very proud that our City has a well-organized Neighborhood Watch Program. Neighborhood Watch keeps watch over the neighborhood as well as promotes social events in the community.

In looking forward, it appears that our economy will not turn around very quickly and this could mean an increase of potential crimes. We as citizens need to be alert and very observant of any suspicious activities in our neighborhoods and make these reports to the Crestwood Police Department.

Our dedicated volunteers who currently serve the community welcome new members to strengthen Neighborhood Watch.

Nothing beats the personal touch of our citizens and we in the City highly recommend that our residents be more involved in the Neighborhood Watch program. You as a resident volunteer, along with many others, can help secure the neighborhoods and in the event of any emergency situation, (such as the storms of recent years) we can contact key people in each neighborhood, door-to-door, if necessary!

There are many opportunities to serve your community. Be safe and keep a watch on crime!

Mayor Roy Robinson

Ways the Crestwood Police Help

The Crestwood Police Department has a Community Services Officer dedicated to Neighborhood Watch. Officer Michael Provaznik, **729-4833**, assists by organizing efforts for Neighborhood Watch, maintaining block captain lists, development of the quarterly newsletter and other informational brochures for Neighborhood Watch. Officer Michael Provaznik is available for block captain meetings to instruct residents on home security and personal safety.

The Crestwood Police Department also offers other services to help keep your neighborhood safe, such as vacation watch and home security checks.

If you are planning a vacation, your residence can be checked daily in your absence by contacting the police department. If any problems arise during your absence, a designated key holder (family, friend, neighbor) will be contacted.

The Crestwood Police Department offers home security checks to residents who would like to make sure they are making every effort to keep their home safe. An officer will come to your home, assess your current security efforts, and offer suggestions to make your home more secure.



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Neighbors Watching Out For Neighbors

Neighborhood Watch is a police department-sponsored program designed to keep communities safe. It involves neighbors getting to know each other, residents being trained to recognize and report suspicious activities in their neighborhood, and the implementation of crime prevention techniques.

Crestwood Neighborhood Watch is organized by Ward. Each ward is represented by Ward Chairpersons. Ward Chairpersons meet monthly with the Crestwood Police Board to voice concerns and keep Neighborhood Watch organized.

From there, each street, block or area is represented by a block captain. Block captains are responsible for the quarterly delivery of Neighborhood Watch newsletters to their area. Block captains are also responsible for organizing events for their block, such as National Night Out in September, and keeping their residents informed.

Every resident should be able to call themselves a Neighborhood Watch member. It is simply neighbors looking out for one another.

To become a block captain, contact Connie Melching at 729-4842.

Neighborhood Watch works by neighbors getting to know one another and reporting suspicious activity in their neighborhoods.



In most cases, a resident has a good idea of the comings and goings of their neighbors, which cars belong on the street, and if something seems out of place. Neighborhood Watch encourages you to use this knowledge to report anything that seems out of place or suspicious.

By communicating with one another, neighbors make their home and neighborhood safer. Simple things such as letting your neighbor know that you will be on vacation, or that you will have a houseguest, can make your neighborhood safer.

Types of activity you should report include:

- Someone screaming or shouting for help.
- Someone looking in windows of houses and parked cars.
- Property being taken out of houses where no one is home.
- Cars, vans or trucks moving slowly with no apparent destination or without lights.
- Anyone being forced into a vehicle. A stranger sitting in a car or stopping to talk to a child.
- Unfamiliar vehicles present at a home where someone is on vacation.

To report these incidents:

- Call 9-1-1 or 729-4800;
- Give your name and address;
- Explain what happened;
- Describe any suspects: gender, race, age, height, weight, hair color, clothing, distinctive characteristics, vehicles, direction of travel.

Never hesitate to contact your Police Department for any type of suspicious activity.

Neighborhood Watch Ward Chairpersons

Ward One	Richard Breeding
Ward Two	Jacque' Stock
Ward Three	Carol Wagner
Ward Four	Char Braun