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## What is a Neighborhood Crime Watch Program and why should I join?

Neighborhood Crime Watch is a volunteer citizen crime prevention program of mutual assistance among neighbors aimed at reducing crime in the neighborhood at the grass roots level. It involves neighbors getting to know neighbors, being alert to the potential of crime, and being willing to look out for each other's interest.

Crime watchers will learn crime prevention techniques, personal safety, and crime trends by Miami Springs Community Policing Officers who are certified Florida Crime Prevention Practioners. Crime Watchers will also learn the importance of recognizing suspicious activity and how to properly report suspicious persons, vehicles or incidents to the police.

You and your neighbors are the ones who really know what is going on in your neighborhood. By working with each other and the police, people can help prevent crime. Let the criminals know that the neighborhood is "watching" them.

What are the benefits?

>Reduce crime

- >Provides a better quality of life
- >Provides a greater sense of security, responsibility, and personal control
- >Fosters neighborhood unity and community pride
- >Adds extra "eyes and ears" in the community

>Active groups bolster a police department's ability to thwart and apprehend criminal offenders

Yes, I want to become a part of my Neighborhood Crime Watch.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS:

TELEPHONE: \_\_\_\_\_\_

Email form to jsimon@mspd.us or drop off at the Community Policing Office

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