

Thank you for your interest in the Neighborhood Watch Program. Our Neighborhood Watch Program began in 1994 and reaches over 7,000 homes in Fishers.

I encourage you to become active in your neighborhood and support the Neighborhood Watch Program.

When neighbors look out for each other, everyone benefits.

Chief Mitch Thompson



Neighborhood Contacts

Neighborhood Coordinators Name

Address and Phone

Email Address

Block Captains Name

Address and Phone

Email Address



FISHERS POLICE DEPARTMENT

4 Municipal Drive Fishers, Indiana 46038 317-595-3300

For more information on the Fishers Police Department Neighborhood Watch Program—Please email Lieutenant Dave Dunbar <u>dunbard@fishers.in.us</u>

FISHERS POLICE DEPARTMENT

Neighborhood Watch Program Guide to Crime Prevention



Fishers Police Department Phone Numbers

 Emergency
 911

 Non-Emergency
 317-773-1282

 Administration
 317-595-3300

 TIP Line
 317-595-3305



Neighborhood Watch Participant

Here are simple techniques to assist you and your neighbors in improving the safety and security of your neighborhood. PLEASE practice these techniques and teach them to your family.

- Be alert and call the police when you see criminal or suspicious activity.
- Install deadbolt locks on all doors and use them. Secure all windows with quality locks as well.
- Turn on your outside lights at night, every night!
- If you have a residential burglar alarm, use it!
- Do not give out personal information to anyone you don't know. Cross shred all documents with any personal information.
- Close your garage door whether you are home or away.
- Lock all vehicles parked outside.
 Remove all valuables and garage door openers.
- Notify a trusted neighbor or family member if you are away. Leave them emergency contact information. Stop newspaper and mail delivery. Have your lawn mowed or snow shoveled while you are away.

Resident Responsibilities

- Call the police immediately when you see or hear a crime in progress
- Call the police immediately when you see or hear suspicious activity.
- If you are the victim of a crime, report it to the police.
- Call your block captain <u>after</u> you have made a report with the police.
- Communicate with your neighbors.
- Educate your children in a common sense approach to crime prevention.
- Do not be afraid to call the police.

Volunteer Responsibilities

- The coordinator serves a liaison between the neighborhood and the Fishers Police Department.
- ◆ The coordinator maintains a list of Block Captains and all residents in the neighborhood.
- ◆ The coordinator organizes a community meeting with the Fishers Police Department as needed.
- Collect email addresses. The coordinator creates an email distribution list for the neighborhood.
- Block Captains serve a liaison between residents and the coordinator.
- Block Captains disseminate information to homes without email.
- Block captains also collect email addresses.

Getting Started

Call the Fishers Police Department if you are interested in starting a neighborhood watch program. The Fishers police department will schedule a meeting and provide flyers to announce the meeting. We will discuss the program and the responsibilities of each resident during the meeting. The primary method of communication is email. By recruiting email addresses, we speed up communication and reduce the number of volunteers needed. Phone calls and flyers are still available to those without email. The meeting concludes by recruiting volunteers to get the program up and running.

Suspicious Activity

These are examples of suspicious activity. Do not approach anyone or investigate criminal or suspicious activity. Withdraw to a safe location. Call Police Immediately!

- Adults or Juveniles walking casually through the neighborhood looking into windows, backyards, vehicles, etc.
- ♦ A vehicle driving slowly through the neighborhood with or without lights on.
- An unknown car parked in or near your neighborhood containing one or more people.
- Something wakes you in the night.
 (Dogs Barking, People Talking, Engines Revving, Glass Breaking, etc.)
- Someone you don't recognize rings your doorbell late at night.
- If something is suspicious to you, it is suspicious, Call the Police!