

TIPS TO PROTECT YOURSELF AND YOUR NEIGHBOURS

- ◆ Thieves may pose as a canvasser or door-to-door sales person in order to use an unanswered doorbell as an opportunity to enter an unoccupied home.
- ◆ Ask the post office to hold your mail while you are on a holiday and stop newspaper delivery.
- ◆ Protect yourself with bright perimeter and indoor lighting and good security locks. Secure doors and windows when you go out.
- ◆ Contact a trusted neighbour to let them know you are going away and leave them the key. Tell them when you are going and when you will return.
- ◆ A timer placed on lights and radios is an inexpensive and effective way to give your home a 'lived-in' look when you are not there.
- ◆ An alarm system is a deterrent to thieves. Make sure it is professionally installed with visible signage on your property.
- ◆ Keep the garage door closed at all times.
- ◆ Join operation identification through the Peel Regional Police. Thieves tend to stay away from marked and identified property.



For more information

Safe City Mississauga is mandated to deliver crime prevention and community safety education, programs and projects that contribute to keeping Mississauga a community where people feel safe and secure as they live, work, learn and play.

- Neighbourhood Watch
- Counter-Act
- Crossroads Youth Academy
- Safest City Report
- Crime Map – Online
- Neighbours Night Out
- Neighbourhood Knights
- Safe Communities Canada Day



For more information on these programs or events - or if you would like to support the activities of Safe City Mississauga, please call us at 905-615-6272, visit us on the web at www.safecitymississauga.on.ca, or by mail to 300 City Centre Drive, Mississauga, On L5B 3C9

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH PARTNERS



Helping to protect *your community* from crime



A self-help concept

Most crimes against property – such as theft and vandalism – occur when you are absent from your home.

Neighbourhood Watch (NW) program has been designed to ensure that you and your neighbours are actively protecting each other's homes at all times.

Each community has an Area-Coordinator who acts as a funnel for information and a liaison with Safe City Mississauga.

How it works

If your neighbour see or hears anything suspicious, your Neighbourhood Watch neighbours will attempt to contact you immediately. If you are not at home; they will telephone the police on your behalf.

Meanwhile, they will make detailed notes on what they have seen – including the make, colour, and plate numbers of any unrecognized vehicles and a detailed description of suspicious persons.

Don't worry

Neighbourhood Watch members are not to intervene physically, so you will not be putting your neighbours at risk.

And remember, the simple existence of a strong Neighbourhood Watch program will be a deterrent to any would-be burglars and vandals.



Getting Started

If you are interested in establishing a Neighbourhood Watch program in your area, please call us. We will be pleased to help you develop a comprehensive plan.

To begin with, write in the names, addresses, and telephone numbers of your immediate neighbours on this form and keep it by the phone. If you feel there is a problem and are unable to contact them, call the police at (905) 453-3311 immediately.

BENEFITS OF NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

- No cost to residents
- Home safety seminar for new watches
- Monthly crime statistics
- Quarterly newsletters
- Annual Coordinator meeting
- Annual Safety Seminar - Watch Members
- Signage – streets & residential
- Crime occurrence follow-up
- A sense of community
- A stronger and safer neighbourhood

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Remember: 911 is a Fire, Police and Ambulance emergency number . It should only be used in an emergency .