



Informational Neighborhood Watch Meeting



Come join your local law enforcement and crime prevention team to learn how YOU can take back your own neighborhood by starting your very own NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH GROUP.

HAVE YOU... Been the victim of a property crime? Wondered if there is more you can do to safeguard your home? Not taken the time to get to know your neighbors? Ever wondered if your neighbors are looking out for your stuff? Been uncertain if you should report something to law enforcement?

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH CAN HELP!

- **Come learn what it takes to get to know your neighbors and how to start a Neighborhood Watch in your area.**
- **Learn why Neighborhood Watch is the most powerful thing you can do in your neighborhood to reduce property crimes.**
- **Learn how to take good notes—and what to look out for.**
- **Learn how to report crime and suspicious activity.**
- **Learn how to make a call for service, and the difference between an emergency and non-emergency call.**
- **Learn tips on how to better secure your home and your property.**
- **Learn how to deter crime and make your neighborhood less of a target to criminals.**
- **Find out about when property crimes are likely to occur, and crime trends in your area.**
- **Ask questions! Ever had a question about Crime Prevention? Ever wondered if an alarm or a dog is a good investment? Have you ever wanted to reach out to your local law enforcement?**

NOW is the time. Neighborhood Watch is easy, free, and only requires the willingness and participation of you and your neighbors.

Please join the Kern County Sheriff's Office for a meeting!

Location: 1439 Broadway Ave - Inyokern, CA 93527

Date: Monday, March 18th Time: 6:00 pm



Thinking about starting a Neighborhood Watch?

FIRST: TALK TO YOUR NEIGHBORS

- Find a day of the week and time of day that works for everyone
- Set a location (local community room, home, etc.)
- Contact the Crime Prevention Unit to schedule a date for your presentation on Neighborhood Watch once you have 10 interested neighbors

We will send you flyers to help get the word out

Estas pensando en comenzar un grupo de Vigilancia Vecinal?

PRIMERO: HABLA CON TUS VECINOS

- Escoge un día de la semana y tiempo del día que es conveniente para todos
- Ponganse en acuerdo de una ubicación (cuarto común, casa/hogar, etc.)
- Llaman a el unidad del Prevención de Crimen para hacer una cita cuando hay 10 vecinos interesados

Enviaremos volantes para ayudar compartir la mensaje



TIPS:

- Only include members whose home you can see and who can see your home

CONSEJOS:

- Incluya solamente a los miembros cuales sus hogares puede ver y quién puede ver su

Crime Prevention Unit
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KCSO Neighborhood Watch

Block Captain's Guide

What is Neighborhood Watch?

To act as a liaison between the neighborhood and Law Enforcement. Keep KCSO updated with Block Captain contact info. We want to know about areas of concern. *Remember all reports must be made to our non-emergency number (661)861-3110

Receive information from participants and share information with your group. Participants should be informing the Block Captain of unusual activity and Block Captain can send this info out to the group periodically.

Maintain and periodically update a list of participant information. This includes maps, names, emails, phone numbers, places of work, normal working hours, family size, etc. Have neighbors complete the neighbor information sheet.

Monitor and encourage use of target-hardening. Improvements and techniques provided in the presentation. Remind and make recommendations on what neighbors can do to increase safety. Lighting, strike plate security screws, dead bolts, window locks, alarms systems, security cameras, and locking gates are all great ways to secure your property.

1 Neighbors Communicating with Neighbors

2 Neighbors Communicating with Law Enforcement

3 Securing your Property/ Target Hardening

Welcome new neighbors and provide neighborhood watch materials. Block captain can also appoint a neighbor or group of neighbors to welcome new neighbors and provide them with resources, brochures and contact information.

Takes initiative on planning follow up meetings (monthly, quarterly, annually) and notifies participating neighbors. Discuss with members how frequently everyone would like to meet. Consider having guest speakers such as alarm company representatives or make it fun by making it a potluck or BBQ.

Work with neighbors to purchase and place visible Neighborhood Watch signs. Pitch in together if it makes more sense and make sure that the signs are placed in visible and effective locations.

Remind neighbors that it is their responsibility to report suspicious activity and crimes to law enforcement. Ensure that all neighbors have proper contact numbers for law enforcement. *Participants need to report their own crimes and should not rely on the block captain to do so.

HELPFUL CONTACT INFORMATION

Emergency 9-1-1
Non Emergency (661)861-3110
Online Reporting:
www.kernsheriff.org
Code Compliance:
1-800-522-KERN

Gang Hotline: (661)392-6000
Narcotics Hotline: (661)392-6003
Crime Prevention Unit:
(661)391-7559 or
crimeprevention@kernsheriff.org
Smart911.com