

PURPOSE OF THE HOTLINE

Dublin Police Services has established a CRIME TIP HOTLINE to provide the opportunity for citizens to call the police and offer leads on criminal investigations and suspected criminal activity. By using the hotline, citizens maintain their anonymity while providing information that may be vital to stopping crime in Dublin.

HOW THE HOTLINE WORKS

The CRIME TIP HOTLINE is a voice mail system that is accessible 24 hours a day. Callers should provide as much information as possible and may choose to leave their name and phone number for follow-up contact by the police or to remain **anonymous**. The hotline should *not* be used to report an in-progress crime.

HOW TIPS ARE USED

Police Services receives a variety of informational tips from residents on crimes and current investigations. These tips could pertain to drug activity, fraud, embezzlement, identity theft, scams, auto burglaries, residential and commercial bur-



glaries, and any other criminal activity which warrants police attention. The slightest bit of information can make the difference between solving a crime or letting it go unresolved.

EXAMPLES OF TIPS TO REPORT

- ◆ You suspect that there may be drug activity going on in your neighborhood.
- ◆ You read or hear a news story and you think you may have some information about it.
- ◆ You've seen suspicious activity and you think someone should know about it even if you are not sure it is really anything.
- ◆ You know someone who is using someone else's identity.
- ◆ You think you may know who has been spreading graffiti in the city.

Neighborhood Watch

Get to know your neighbors, your neighborhood, and your community by joining Neighborhood Watch. When you know who belongs in your neighborhood, you'll also know who doesn't!

Contact **Neighborhood Resources** to start a Neighborhood Watch group:
(925) 833-6610



REPORT GRAFFITI

The CRIME TIP HOTLINE can also be utilized to report acts of graffiti. Information on this type of activity will help the police department respond more effectively and focus on the identification and apprehension of the person responsible. Information regarding graffiti on public or private property will also be forwarded to Code Enforcement. Steps will then be taken to inform the property owner of the graffiti and encourage them to remove it as soon as possible. It has been determined that the sooner graffiti is removed, the less likely the activity will increase.

DRUG ACTIVITY

REPORT DRUG ACTIVITY

You can help Dublin Police Services in the fight against the spread of illegal drug activity in the community. The information you provide can help officers start, or perhaps conclude an investigation. If you believe that someone is involved in any type of illegal drug activity, take advantage of the CRIME TIP HOTLINE and report information that may be useful. **The more detailed the information you provide, the more thorough our investigation will be.**

EXAMPLES OF ACTIVITY TO REPORT

- ◆ Frequent visitors at all times of the day or night
- ◆ Frequent visitors for short times usually a minute or two in duration
- ◆ Frequent, late night activity
- ◆ Windows blackened out or curtains always drawn
- ◆ Unfriendly or secretive activities
- ◆ Paranoia, odd behavior or extensive security, such as outdoor cameras
- ◆ Suspicious cars passing by
- ◆ Use of large amounts of electricity



IMPORTANT DETAILS TO REPORT

- ◆ Dates and times of activity
- ◆ Location of activity
- ◆ Nature of activity
- ◆ Names and descriptions (if possible) of those involved
- ◆ Vehicle descriptions and license plate numbers (if possible)
- ◆ Any other relevant information

For a CRIME TIP HOTLINE telephone sticker, or further information regarding this program, please contact the Dublin Police Services Crime Prevention Unit.

DUBLIN POLICE PHONE NUMBERS

Emergency	
Landline	9-1-1
Cellphone	462-1212
Non-Emergency	462-1212
Police Business Office	833-6670
Crime Prevention	833-6670
Crime Tip Hotline/Graffiti Hotline	833-6638
Abandoned Vehicle Hotline	452-2121



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