

Block Captain's Tip Sheet

We Had a Meeting . . . Now What?

Following your initial Neighborhood Watch meeting, the group is likely to feel invigorated; it is important to keep that momentum going. There are many steps you can take to not only keep your group organized but also put the program into action. Here are a dozen tips for collecting contact information, staying informed and strengthening your Neighborhood Watch in the months ahead.

- Display your Neighborhood Watch signs or decals**

Let potential criminals know that your neighborhood is on alert. Signs also provide a visual reminder to report suspicious activity to the police and to your group.

- Post the non-emergency Dublin Police dispatch number near your home phone and program it on your cell phone: (925) 462-1212**

It is easy to forget all-important numbers when your adrenaline is rushing.

- Reach out to residents who were not able to attend the initial meeting**

Let them know that although they couldn't attend the meeting, their contribution to Neighborhood Watch is still valuable. Ask if they would share their contact information to stay in the loop.

- Create a Neighborhood Watch e-mail distribution list, contact list with phone/e-mail/address, and/or phone tree**

Make information-sharing a breeze.

- Put together a Neighborhood Map**

List names and contact information on the map. Refer to it to alert neighbors about suspicious activity on their property and to determine who has yet to join your Neighborhood Watch.

- Subscribe to CrimeReports.com and set up your alerts**

Subscribe to receive up-to-date police activity alerts to stay informed.

- Conduct a home security survey of your residence**

Safety starts at home. Check for broken locks, wobbly fences, poor lighting and overgrown landscaping, making upgrades as needed.

- Survey your neighborhood for potential safety issues**

Let neighbors know when their porch lights are out, fences are broken, or unattended garage doors are open. Report safety issues such as burnt out street lights, overgrown median trees and missing street signs to the City of Dublin Public Works Department: (925) 833-6630.



- Share Monthly Tips with your neighbors**

Passing on safety information is a key function of Neighborhood Watch. Share the wealth.

- Introduce yourself to nearby Block Captains**

Ready to expand your safety network? Contact Neighborhood Resources at 833-6610 to get in touch with other block captains.

- Plan your next activity to keep the momentum going!**

Need ideas? Refer to the Block Captain Tip Sheet: "How Do I Keep My Neighbors Involved?" Or contact Neighborhood Resources at 833-6610.

- Sign Up for the next Block Captain's Academy**

To register, contact Neighborhood Resources at 833-6610.

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