



Community Watch Organization

What is It?

Community Watch Organizations -- formally known as **Crime Watch** Groups -- were developed to encourage citizen involvement and deter crime by early detection. Citizens volunteer to become extra eyes for the police department, reporting crime and suspicious behavior. Citizens learn to anticipate, recognize, and appraise the crime risks in their neighborhoods, and how to take action that removes or reduces those risks.

How Can Neighbors Help?

Neighbors can report unusual activities such as:

- Someone screaming or shouting for help;
- Keep your Garage door closed when not in use.
- Someone looking into residential or parked vehicle windows;
- Unusual noises;
- Property being taken out of closed businesses or houses where no one is home;
- Cars, vans or trucks moving slowly with no apparent destination, or without lights after dusk;
- A stranger sitting in a car or stopping to talk to a child;
- Anyone being forced into a vehicle; or
- Abandoned vehicles.

A Community Watch Organization is a proven crime reduction program; but like any self-help activity, its success depends upon you and your neighbors. You are a part of the Ruidosa Ridge Community Watch Group. Contact Richard Redd your Safety Chairperson 817-791-9215 redd_richard@yahoo.com for more information.