#### WHAT IS NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH?

Neighborhood Watch is a program designed to get the community and police to work together to reduce crime in an area.

Kent County covers 21 townships and 5 villages. We average close to 80,000 calls a year.

Currently we have 130 neighborhood watch groups in the county.

### **GOALS OF NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH**

- Reduce crime
- Increase community awareness
- Build better relationship with the sheriff department
- Allows neighbor's to get to know each other
- Train citizens to report crime
- Teach crime prevention techniques

# WHAT ARE THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE WATCH MEMBER?

- Get to know your neighbor.
- Report any suspicious activity to the police.

# WHAT IS SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY?

Anything that looks out of the ordinary that would lead you to believe that a crime is about to be committed.

#### FOUR WORDS TO HELP YOU HELP US

- Observe
- Remember
- Report
- Record

REPORTING A CRIME OR EMERGENCY

# NON EMERGENCY632-6100EMERGENCY9111-800-442-4661

#### INFORMATION NEEDED WHEN YOU CALL

- 1. Name and address.
- 2. The type of crime or emergency.
- 3. The exact location of the situation.

- 4. Description of the vehicle and suspect. (page 6 and 7 in neighborhood watch book)
- 5. The direction of flight.
- 6. Time of occurrence.
- 7. Any weapon used?

\*\* Remember to stay calm and call immediately. Don't wait for someone else to call. Don't hang up until told to do so. \*\*

#### HOW DO I GET A NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH STARTED?

- 1. Have a community meeting
- 2. Choose a temporary block leader and assistant.

#### RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE BLOCK LEADER

- 1. Schedule regular meeting.
- 2. Keep members informed.

#### CALLING TREE

FIRST CHAIR

SECOND CHAIR

BLOCK CAPTAIN

## BLOCK CAPTAIN

BLOCK CAPTAIN

Members

Members

Members

#### TO BE A FORMAL NBWH GROUP YOU NEED:

- 1. A calling tree list.
- 2. A detailed map of your area.
- 3. Yearly meetings.