

Dear Residents,

Neighborhood Watch is coming to our community, and we need you to get involved! What's in it for you? Safer streets and homes, community spirit, camaraderie with your neighbors, stronger relationships with law enforcement, and much more. Neighborhood Watch embraces and strengthens many things we're already doing, such as watching out for each other's homes or working together to solve problems.

Often Neighborhood Watch groups get started because there have been incidents in the community that have caused concern—acts of vandalism, burglaries, or auto thefts. These are the types of crime that Neighborhood Watch is the most successful in reducing. Although our neighborhood already has very low crime statistics relative to the greater DFW area, we believe we can improve on these statistics!

Neighborhood Watch counts on citizens to organize themselves and work with law enforcement to keep a trained eye and ear on their communities, while demonstrating their presence at various times of day and night. Neighborhood Watch works because it reduces opportunities for crime to occur; it doesn't rely on altering or changing the criminal's behavior or motivation. Watch groups are not vigilantes and do not assume the role of the police. Their duty is to ask neighbors to be alert, observant, and caring—and to report suspicious activity or crimes immediately to the police.

- We will be having our first awareness and volunteer meeting on October 14th at 6:00PM in the Clubhouse. Paul McCaghren will be leading the Watch Program.
- While everyone can participate in the Neighborhood Watch Program, we are specifically looking for one volunteer from each building to be a “Building Captain”, as well as one or two others who would help with the organization matters for the Program.
- We plan to have 4 meetings per year, including one meeting where the City of Dallas Police will speak on community matters.

Please join us on October 14th!

Best regards,

The Williamsburg HOA Board