



NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

Neighborhood Watch is a citizens' organization devoted to preventing crime and vandalism within neighborhoods. Neighborhood Watch groups are trained by the Crime Prevention Unit to cooperate with the Winston-Salem Police Department and help deter crime without directly intervening with criminals. Neighborhood Watch members stay alert to unusual activity and contact the authorities.

For more information on starting a Neighborhood Watch organization in your neighborhood, call the Crime Prevention Unit at (336) 773-7835 or visit our Web site at www.wspd.org.

CONTACT NUMBERS

Emergency	911
Non Emergency	773-7700
Crime Stoppers	727-2800
Spanish Line	728-3904
Crime Prevention	773-7835
Evidence Management	773-7892
False Alarm Reduction Unit	773-7886
Field Services Bureau	773-7800
Investigative Service Bureau	773-7716
Police Administration	773-7760
Professional Standards Division	773-7765
Records Division	773-7922
Recruiting	773-7925
Special Events Applications	773-7830
Support Services Bureau	773-7780
Telcom – Reports by telephone	773-7710
Victims Assistance	773-7860

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CRIME PREVENTION



Winston-Salem Police Department Crime Prevention Unit



CRIME PREVENTION BEGINS WITH YOU



Never leave your keys in your car.



Make sure every external door has a sturdy deadbolt lock.



Never hide house keys in an obvious place such as under a doormat or rock near your door.



Never leave valuables in plain sight in your car.



Install a peephole in your front door so you can see who is at the door.



In crowded public areas carry your purse close to your body. Put your wallet in a front pocket.

WHAT IS CRIME PREVENTION?

Crime Prevention is any action that reduces the likelihood that a crime can occur. Crimes are committed when someone has the desire, ability and opportunity to commit the crime.

There is very little we can do to eliminate the desire or ability of a criminal to commit a crime, but we can work to eliminate the opportunity. Crime prevention can be as simple as locking your car or leaving a light on so your house looks occupied while you are away.

- Crime prevention is one of the most important tools in fighting crime.
- Crime prevention is the responsibility of the whole community, not just the police.
- Crime prevention creates a safer and more secure community by developing partnerships between the community and police.
- Crime prevention takes commitment.

Be aware of your surroundings and mindful of your personal safety and security. It only takes a moment for a dishonest person to seize an opportunity presented to them.

THE CRIME PREVENTION UNIT

The Crime Prevention Unit conducts crime prevention and community relations activities for the Winston-Salem Police Department.

Specific duties include:

- Holding public education programs on crime prevention
- Assisting the organization of neighborhood watch groups
- Conducting residential and business security inspections
- Organizing various youth programs to educate youth in crime prevention
- Conducting other activities to promote citizen cooperation in reducing and preventing crime in the city.

For more information about the Crime Prevention Unit and for crime prevention tips, visit www.wspd.org. To schedule a crime prevention presentation for your group or organization, call (336) 773-7835.

EDUCATION PROGRAMS

The Crime Prevention Unit is available to offer educational programs on the following topics:

- Aggressive Driving
- Bullying
- Commercial and Residential Security Surveys
- Computer/Internet Safety
- Conflict Resolution
- Drug Prevention and Recognition
- Fingerprinting
- Gun Safety
- Identity Theft
- Neighborhood Watch
- Officer Friendly
- Personal Safety
- Public Safety Center Tours
- Senior Safety
- Stranger Danger
- Workplace Violence
- Youth and the Law

