

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH CODE



HOME SECURITY

We will conduct security inspections of our homes and practice realistic security measures to include:

- Secure doors, windows, garages, personal property and automobiles.
- Lighting front and rear areas of our homes during the hours of darkness.
- Marking our personal property by engraving or other means, to deter theft and expedite the recovery of stolen items.
- Coordinating activities and extended absences with our immediate neighbors or Block Captains to ensure adequate security coverage.

COMMUNITY AWARENESS

We will be watching for any unusual or suspicious persons, activities or vehicles in our neighborhood.

CRIME REPORTING

If we suspect or observe a crime in progress or see evidence of a crime having been committed, we will contact the police immediately at **(703) 838-4444** or **911**.

WATCH PATROL

We will take every opportunity during the course of our daily activities to go out of our way to be observant. When called upon, we will participate in scheduled Neighborhood Watch patrols and will abide by the patrol instructions issued by the Alexandria Police Department.

EDUCATING AND RECRUITING

We will explain to our children, new neighbors, friends and others, the purpose of the Neighborhood Watch program and its benefits. We will solicit their support and encourage them to contribute to the program within their capabilities as responsible citizens.

SAFETY

We recognize the goals of Neighborhood Watch to be personal safety, protection of property and enhanced quality of life for our neighborhood. We will not endanger others or ourselves, in order to achieve these goals. We understand that our mission is to deter, observe and report.

NEIGHBORHOOD

We acknowledge that this program cannot be successful without a commitment to one another as neighbors. We agree to be open minded when a neighbor comes to us with a problem and pledge to do our best to resolve neighborhood problems as a team.

"In every community, there is work to be done. In every nation, there are wounds to heal. In every heart, there is the power to do it." Marianne Williamson