## Some Facts About Neighborhood Watch

- Over 40 million crimes are committed every year and the number is still growing.
- There can't be a law enforcement officer on every corner, so citizen involvement is essential to combat this social crisis.
- By cooperating with each other and the police, people can help fight crime in their community the most effective way before it begins!
- Neighborhood Watch is a crime prevention program that enlists the active participation of citizens in cooperation with law enforcement to reduce crime in their communities. It involves:
- Neighbors getting to know each other and working together in a program of mutual assistance;
- Citizens being trained to recognize and report suspicious activities in their neighborhoods; and
- Implementation of crime prevention techniques such as home security, Operation Identification, etc.

You may hear it called NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH, Home Alert, Citizen Crime Watch or Block Watch. The idea is the same:

## Neighbors looking out for each other!