



## Neighborhood Crime Watch

The Piney-Z Neighborhood Crime Watch (NCW) is a community-based crime prevention program that enlists the active participation of our neighbors in cooperation with the Tallahassee Police Department (TPD) to reduce crime within our neighborhood.

Our goal is to 1) make our homes and families less vulnerable to crime, and 2) cooperate with TPD through block groups and activities to control crime within our neighborhood. This includes:

- Getting to know our neighbors and working together within a program of mutual assistance
- Being the “eyes and ears” of the TPD within our neighborhood
- Helping our neighbors to recognize and report suspicious activity
- Implementing crime prevention strategies and home security measures such as *Operation Identification*

The NCW is a committee of the Piney-Z Homeowners Association (HOA).

### **Members**

The role of a NCW Member is to:

- **Be alert and immediately report any suspicious activity!**
  - **EMERGENCY: 911**
  - **NON-EMERGENCY: 891-4200**
- Get to know your Block Captain and neighbors
- Watch your neighbor’s home when they are away
- Exchange all NCW related information and ideas with your Block Captain and neighbors
- Attend neighborhood crime prevention training programs
- Participate in *Operation Identification*

Membership requires little effort, but offers big rewards by helping to keep our homes and families safe.

### **Block Captains**

The role of a NCW Block Captain is to:

- Cover a “block” of 8-15 houses (both sides of your street)
- Act as a liaison between your block Members and the Coordinator

- Maintain and distribute a current block map with contact information (names, addresses, phone numbers and e-mail addresses) for all of your block Members and non-members
- Visit new neighbors on your block and encourage them to join the NCW
- Exchange all NCW related information and ideas with your block Members and the Coordinator
- Setup a telephone and e-mail communication network between all of your block Members
- Distribute crime prevention materials
- Promote participation in *Operation Identification*

### **Coordinator**

The role of the NCW Coordinator is to:

- Serve as a spokesperson for the NCW
- Act as a liaison between the Block Captains, Members, TPD, the HOA and civic groups
- Work closely with the TPD Bravo District Community Relations Officer
- Report neighborhood crime activity and all NCW related information at HOA Board meetings
- Arrange neighborhood crime prevention training programs and special NCW meetings and functions
- Involve Members to develop and implement specific crime prevention projects
- Obtain and distribute crime prevention materials
- Maintain a current contact list of all Block Captains and Members
- Recruit new Block Captains and Members
- Report neighborhood crime activity, and exchange all NCW related information and ideas with the Block Captains and Members
- Promote participation in *Operation Identification*

**NCW membership is open to every Piney-Z resident and your participation is strongly encouraged. To join, please contact your Block Captain, the NCW Coordinator, or any HOA Board Member.**