



Rural Crime Watch



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Property Crime

Why is it happening???



Where is it happening?



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Property Crime

What can we do to prevent it?



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Prevent Property Crime

- Keep Liquor and food out of seasonal homes during off-season
- Keep driveways and steps clean
- Lighting
- Security Systems



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Prevent Property Crime

- Work together with your neighbours



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Look out for your neighbour

➤ **COPP**

➤ **Rural Crime Watch (RCW)**



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Purpose of RCW

- **To prevent criminal behavior in your area such as:**
 - **Break and enters, thefts, etc.**
- **To improve the sense of security in your community**



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Benefits

- **Unified strength, safety, etc.**
- **Communication**
- **Central information and resource base**
- **Partnerships in rural crime prevention.**



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Get Involved

- **Another set of eyes and ears for your local police.**
- **Working together helps the police solve crime and prevent further crime.**
- **This makes our communities a safer place to live.**



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Community Members

- **Who will join?**
- **How much commitment will there be?**
- **How can you join?**



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Getting Started

- **Organization Committee**
- **Communication**
- **Applications**



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Role of the Members

- **Report all unusual or suspicious vehicles or occurrences immediately to the RCMP or for emergencies: 911.**
- **Respond to RCMP fan-out messages.**
- **Display your signs as soon as you receive them. (Rural Crime Watch, Citizens on Patrol)**
- **Attend any information meetings held in your area and take an active part in your community.**



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Partners

- **RCMP**
- **Town/Villages**
- **Insurance Companies**
- **Media**
- **Rural Municipalities**
- **Agricultural Companies and Businesses**
- **Crime Stoppers**



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Communication

Communication in each community can be achieved by:

- **Newsletter**
- **Website**
- **Social media**
- **Interaction with other Watch members**
- **Regular meetings**



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Starting a Watch Program in Your Area

- **Through your local detachment**
- **Liaison Officers will be named to work with the Crime Watch organization.**



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Do's

- **Positive presence in the community**
- **Treat all people with courtesy and respect**
- **Maintain confidentiality at all times**
- **Maintain awareness of initiatives**
- **Assist in increasing awareness**



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Do's

- **Keep track of suspicious behavior**
- **Make notes, write it down**
- **Contact the police**
- **Let your Group know**



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Don'ts

- **Do not take enforcement action**
- **Do not carry weapons**
- **Do not keep information to yourself, the sooner someone else knows the better**



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