



# NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH NEWS



## CLACKAMAS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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**What *Neighborhood Watch* is:** A crime prevention program that encourages Neighbors to get to know each other and their routines so that any out of place activities can be observed and recognized for what they are, then reported and investigated if necessary.

**What *Neighborhood Watch* is not:** A program designed for Participants to undertake personal risks to deter crime.

### “There’s a new Sheriff in town...”

#### Sheriff Craig Roberts



I intend for the Clackamas County Sheriff’s Office to be a model Public Safety Agency. To accomplish this my administration and I have formulated a specific course of action—a goal oriented plan for the future of the department. We will all work hard and we will all learn from our mistakes.

We will achieve an environment of mutual respect with sincere, open, and honest communication. Together we are going to empower people at all levels through a grass roots effort bringing forth new ideas to create positive changes and to accomplish many great things...together.

Some of our first 100-day accomplishments include:

- CCSO Staff completing ethics, risk management, and diversity training.
- Conducting monthly sweeps with our law enforcement partners to hold offenders accountable. There have been 4,500 attempts to serve outstanding warrants with more than 2,700 arrest warrants served.
- The National Institute of Corrections completed a comprehensive assessment of the County Jail in January at no cost to the public.

- interact, and deal with mentally ill patients in a safe manner. Currently, 33% of all inmates in the Clackamas County Jail currently have some kind of mental health issue.
- Completing a full inventory of the Property and Evidence Room. The last complete inventory was over 30 years ago.
- Develop Standards of Excellence within the Sheriff’s Office by beginning the process for obtaining Oregon Accreditation.

I thank the citizens of Clackamas County for their support. I will never forget for whom I work—the citizens of Clackamas County.

### Key Sheriff’s Office Phone Numbers

**Emergency:**

**911**

**24-hour Non-Emergency:**

**(503) 655-8211**

**Business Number:**

**(503) 655-8218**

**Sheriff’s Office Website:**

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## ***CRIME PREVENTION THROUGH ENVIRONMENTAL DESIGN (CPTED)***

Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design, commonly called CPTED (sep-ted), is a crime prevention philosophy which incorporates the entire build environment around homes, businesses and parks to make them more resistant to crime. Here are some of the basics for a Single Family Home:

### **1. Natural Access Control**

- walkways and landscaping direct visitors to the proper entrance and away from private areas.

### **2. Natural Surveillance**

- all doorways that open to the outside should be well lit.
- the front door should be at least partially visible from the street
- windows on all sides of the house provide full visibility of property
- sidewalks and all areas of the yard should be well lit
- the driveway should be visible from either the front or back door and at least one window
- the front door should be clearly visible from the driveway
- properly maintained landscaping provides maximum viewing to and, from the house

### **3. Territorial Reinforcement**

- front porches or stoops create a transitional area between the street, and the home
- property lines and private areas should be defined with plantings, pavement treatments or fences
- the street address should be clearly visible from the street with numbers a minimum of five inches high that are made of non-reflective material

### **4. Target Hardening**

- interior doors that connect a garage to a building should have a single cylinder dead bolt lock
- Door locks should be located a minimum of 40 inches from adjacent windows
- exterior doors should be hinged on the inside and should have a single cylinder dead bolt lock with a minimum one-inch throw
- new houses should not have jalousie, casement or awning style windows
- all windows should have locks
- sliding glass doors should have one permanent door on the outside; the inside moving door should have a locking device and a pin

These are by no means a complete list of measures that can be used on a single family home. Apartments, manufactured home parks, condominium communities, businesses, stores, malls, parks, trails, etc, all have unique characteristics that must be taken into consideration when determining the best methods to harden them against crime.

Neighborhood Watch incorporates CPTED in its basic principles. Please consider starting a Neighborhood Watch in your community.

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If you are a current Neighborhood Watch Captain and would like copies for your community, you can go to the Sheriff's Office Website, [www.co.clackamas.or.us/sheriff](http://www.co.clackamas.or.us/sheriff), and print off a copy or you can call the Neighborhood Watch News Info Line at (503) 722-6750.

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