

## Alert Neighborhood Crime Prevention Tips



## **Neighborhood Security**

- Leave outside lights on at night
- Solicitors in City Limits <u>must have</u> a permit badge from the City Clerk

## **Know Your Neighbors**

- Either side/across the street/behind you
- Neighborhood becomes safer
- Someone to watch your house
- Have a close emergency go to
- NOTIFY POLICE if you see suspicious activity

## **Home Security – General**

- Install security cameras or alarm system
- DO NOT allow packages to remain on porch (utilize delivery notifications/workplace delivery)
- DO NOT place Empty boxes at curb

## **Home Security – Outside**

- Lock all doors, windows and garage
- Lock gates to backyard
- Don't leave spare key outside of house
- Keep garage door closed when not outside
- Put 3"-4" screws in outside door hinges
- Trim shrubs in front of windows so burglars can't hide behind them easily

## **Home Security - Inside**

- Double lock doors
- Use a dowel rod in window/patio door tracks
- Use a lockable filing cabinet for check-book, statements, important documents
- Take photos of jewelry/store in safe place
- Record serial numbers/take pictures of TV's, computers, and electronics and download to thumb drive

## **Vehicle Security**

- LOCK your car
- Remove valuables/gifts or lock in trunk
- NEVER leave a firearm in a vehicle
- Keep garage door opener out of sight
- Don't leave keys in car or leave car running

#### When On Vacation

- Stop mail and paper delivery
- Install timers on electronics: lamps, radio, TV
- Have a neighbor/family member park in your driveway
- Have someone mow your yard
- Have someone set your trash cart by curb
- DO NOT post photos on social media until you return home

## **Personal Security**

- Be aware of your surroundings
- Park and walk in well-lit areas
- Pay attention to the people around you
- Have keys out/ready as you head to your vehicle

## **Personal Security-Identity Theft**

- Monitor all bank and credit card accounts/charges
- Stop unsolicited credit card offers
- Monitor credit often
- Place security freezes and alerts on accounts
- If you will be out of town, notify your bank since they monitor spending routines
- Shred any mail with name, address, account numbers
- Pay bills online or take payments to Post Office
- Store important papers in a safety deposit box or non-removable safe
- Secure your internet from unwanted access

**911 vs. 918** – If you dial 911 by accident PLEASE do not hang up the phone – STAY on and tell the Dispatch Operator it was an error



## What is the Alert Neighborhood Program?

Local Emergency & Non-emergency Numbers

Designed for residential neighborhoods, the Alert Neighborhood Program provides Owasso residents the opportunity to partner with the Owasso Police Department and Owasso Strong Neighborhood Initiative to create neighborhood-based crime prevention organizations that focuses on safety in your home and neighborhood.

# How to Start Your Alert Neighborhood Group

- Visit with as many residents as possible
- Select a person to be the Captain for your Alert Neighborhood Group
- Captain will contact the Owasso Neighborhood Coordinator to register as a Neighborhood
- After registration, Owasso Neighborhood Coordinator and Captain will schedule a neighborhood-wide meeting that will include a crime prevention presentation by an Owasso Police Officer
- After the neighborhood meeting, Alert
   Neighborhood signs may be purchased and installed in the neighborhood
- Schedule Annual follow-up meetings

For more information on

Alert Neighborhood Program

Contact Owasso Neighborhood Coordinator
918-376-1556

**Or Visit City of Owasso website** 

Emergency	911
Non-emergency (Police/Fire)	918.272.2244
Police Administration	918.376.1564
Crime Tip Hotline	918.272.2677
Fire Administration	918.272.5253
Animal Control	918.272.4965
Owasso Court Clerk	918.376.1550
Tulsa County Sheriff	918.596.5601
Rogers County Sheriff	918.341.3535
CITY CONTACTS	
Neighborhood Coordinator	918.376.1556
Public Works	918.272.4959
Code Enforcement	918.376.1546
Owasso City Hall	918.376.1500

#### **City of Owasso**

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