SAFEST

Take charge, make CHANGE
Safe Streets Mission

- Safe Streets mobilizes grassroots community change by:
  - Motivating and inspiring action in the community,
  - Teaching leadership strategies to develop the capacity of community members to solve their own problems.
  - Assisting neighborhoods and youth to define their vision for change, and
  - Connecting people and organizations for success.
Programs

- Non English Speaking
- Community Mobilization
- Youth Leading Change
- Engage Program
- Neighborhood Patrol
- Communities That Care
- Renter Solutions
- Awareness and Prevention
- Child ID Program
- Block Leader 101
- Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design
What is a neighborhood watch group?

- Being a good neighbor by helping to watch your neighborhood and report suspicious activities
- A group of individuals that come together for a common reason or goal.
- Bringing awareness and prevention to your neighborhood.
The best crime prevention device ever invented is a good neighbor.

Joint organized efforts are more effective than individual efforts.

There are many more citizens than there are law enforcement officers.

Through citizens’ involvement the community is provided with unlimited availability of local neighbors to watch their neighborhood for suspicious activity or crime.
Community Clean Ups
Keys to Success

- Communication
- Collaboration
- Patience
- Commitment
Graffiti Cover Up
Basic Organizing Tips

- Phone Tree
- Agenda
- Action Work Plan
- House watch form
Tools you need to know

- How 911 Calls Receive Priority
- When to Call 911
- How to Report to 911
- How to Describe a Suspect
- How to Describe a Vehicle
- How to Handle Nuisance/Blight in Your Neighborhood.
- How to build the relationship with local, county and state partners.
Community Partner
It’s not all about crime

- It is about coming together as a community.
- Getting involved in community projects.
  1. Community cleanups
  2. Community gardens
  3. Community murals
  4. Planning events
- Building relationships with neighbors and having fun.
Community Celebration
Type of Events

- National Night out against Crime
- Safety Fairs
- Community Fairs
- Neighborhood Yard Sales
- March against Crime
- Graffiti Cover Up
Thank You!

- For more information on how to get involved.
  - Call 253.272.6824

- Visit our website [www.safest.org](http://www.safest.org)

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