

Lincoln Park Citizens Patrol Watch

Who are we??

What do we do??



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What is the Citizens Patrol Watch?

When our group originally formed, it was called the Community Radio Watch. These early pioneer volunteers patrolled the city using CB Radios for communication.

With the emergence of the gang problem in the early 1990's we reorganized as a more community involved group. Members assisted with removing gang graffiti and put on crime prevention seminars for residents. It was at this time that we changed our name to Citizens Patrol Watch (CPW).

Our group is made up entirely of volunteers. The amount of time each member decides to devote to the group is strictly up to the member. Some are heavily involved while others choose to help out once a year with a particular event.

Though patrolling of neighborhoods is still a vital function, we also perform a wide variety of community work throughout the city.

Some of the community work we perform are:

- Weekly Patrols
- Graffiti Removal
- Blood Drives
- Angel's Night Patrols
- Lincoln Park Days
- Memorial Day Parade
- Downriver Cruise
- School Family Nights
- Business Expo

Qualifications

To become a member, you must be 18 years old or older with no criminal record. The police department generates a criminal check on all prospective members.

Weekly Patrols

True to our roots, we patrol the city of Lincoln Park. Our role is to notify the police when we come across something suspicious.

Volunteers are not Police Officers. Our role is to report any possible crime activity we may observe while patrolling. We are not allowed to get out of our vehicles during patrols or take any action. We are never to place ourselves in any type of danger.

Graffiti Removal



Volunteers of CPW assist in covering graffiti as it appears throughout the city.

We use different techniques when removing graffiti. Sometimes we can use a substance to remove it from a building, sometimes we cover it with paint and sometimes we use a power washer. The method used to remove the graffiti depends on the surface.

Blood Drives

Community Policing puts on community blood drives two times a year. They are always scheduled the week before Memorial Day and the week before Labor Day.



Citizens Patrol Watch volunteers assist Community Policing in such ways as setting up the blood drive site, calling potential donors to schedule appointments, signing in donors on arrival, giving cookies and juice to donors, etc.

Angel's Night Patrols

Every year on Angel's Night, a special patrol is conducted with our members. In addition, many residents will come out that night to assist us with these patrols.

Lincoln Park Days

The Citizens Patrol Watch has always taken an active roll during Lincoln Park Days.

Our biggest contribution is providing after hours security to the park. When the park closes, our volunteers patrol the park throughout the night to ensure no vandalism occurs to the booths or rides.

Memorial Day Parade

For the past few parades, CPW has entered a float to honor our fallen heroes. In addition, we have assisted the police with keeping the set up area clear and secure.

Downriver Cruise

CPW uses the Downriver Cruise as a major source of fundraising for our organization. We sell a variety of merchandise with the profits going to helping out in the community throughout the year.