

DUTIES OF BLOCK CAPTAINS

The block captains have one of the most important functions in the Neighborhood Watch program: supervising the actual citizen participants who join Neighborhood Watch in their communities. The block captain is responsible for a designated territory and is expected to:

1. Encourage neighborhood participation in the program
2. Welcome new neighbors to your community and encourage their joining Neighborhood Watch
3. Compile a list on all persons in their designated territory who wish to participate in the program as well as their addresses and phone numbers
4. Assist in formation and maintenance of the telephone notification system.
5. Assist the coordinator in scheduling the neighborhood meetings, which must be held at least twice a year
6. Inform all members of Neighborhood Watch techniques: i.e. how to observe suspicious activities, how to utilize Operation I.D., etc.
7. Provide incentive for the community to continue their crime prevention efforts

Note: The duties of the block captain will offer very little change in lifestyle for the person involved. Rather, the job will provide a means for meeting your neighbors, as well as a vehicle for making your community a safer place to live.