

# Reporting Suspicious Activity

## If it looks Suspicious, report it.....

Every year, citizens stop crime from happening by becoming actively involved in protecting their Neighborhood's and reporting suspicious activity. As the additional "eyes and ears" of law enforcement, citizens can help to reduce crime, improve safety, and increase the quality of Neighborhood life by knowing what to report and how to report it.

Sometimes it can be confusing about what to report and when to report it.

What exactly is "suspicious activity"? Suspicious activity can refer to incidents, events, individuals or circumstances that seem unusual or out of place. Some common examples of suspicious activity include:

- A stranger loitering in your Neighborhood
- A vehicle cruising the streets repeatedly
- Someone peering into cars or windows
- strange odor
- open or broken doors and windows at a closed business or residence
- sounds of breaking glass, gunshots, screaming or fighting
- strangers removing license plates

A quick and accurate description of events, vehicles, and persons can make all the difference in apprehending a potential criminal. Any type of activity or circumstance that seems unusual should be reported by calling 912- 652-6500 press 5 when prompted or 911 if a crime is in progress. Citizens should report: suspicious activities, people and vehicles; illegal activities; unusual events or incidents; and or dangerous situations.

By reporting these types of suspicious activities, citizens can help Law Enforcement make their communities safer, reduce violence, minimize victimization, and improve the overall quality of life.

When you have an organized and methodical way of reporting suspicious activity, calling 911 can be easy and invaluable. When you report specific, timely and relevant information, law enforcement can respond in an appropriate and efficient manner.