



SAFE COMMUNITIES, ONE BLOCK AT A TIME

Block Watch is an excellent crime prevention program that provides an opportunity for residents to be more actively engaged in their neighbourhood.

The City of Kamloops and the Kamloops RCMP have partnered to offer the Block Watch program in your community.

Block Watch is a neighbour-helping-neighbour program. Residents on a block form a communication chain, aided by a block map of names, phone numbers, and addresses. They watch out for each other's homes and report suspicious activity to the RCMP and to each other to reduce the likelihood of residential crime.

Benefits of a Block Watch neighbourhood:

- creates a sense of community pride and connection with neighbours
- allows you to learn how to better protect your home; identify suspicious behaviour; and, more effectively, report suspicious behaviour
- connects you to a Block Watch coordinator and your local RCMP for additional support and current crime prevention information
- provides your neighbourhood Block Watch with street signs and window decals to identify your block as one that reports suspicious activity to the RCMP, which can aid in enhancing the safety of the neighbourhood

HOW TO START A BLOCK WATCH:

1. Identify a Captain and/or Co-Captain.
2. Fill out the application form and complete a Police Information Check.
3. Canvass the neighbourhood and build your group.
4. Submit the Participant list and map of participating households.
5. Attend a virtual or in-person information session.

For more information, visit our website Kamloops.ca/CrimePrevention or contact the North Shore Community Policing Office at: 250-376-5099, or via email at Kamloops_Crime_Prevention@rcmp-grc.gc.ca

