

### NEIGHBORHOOD THIS AREA PROTECTED BY C R I M E

WATCH



## DCSO Denton County Sheriff's Office Together, we can help Something something 940-349-1600 Ext. 9

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# INDIVIDUAL COMMUNITIES ONE BIG LANTANA FAMILY WORKING TOGETHER TO KEEP EACH OTHER SAFE



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- \*LINKS TO EVERY SUBDIVISION FACEBOOK GROUP
- \*SCAN ME FOR CRIME CAPTAIN INFO
- \* CONNECT TO LANTANA CARES www.Lantanacares.org

### Reasons for a Neighborhood Watch

### BASIC CRIME PREVENTION

Learn to be aware of what's happening on your street and in your community. Practice crime safety measures that eliminate opportunities for criminals. Encourage others join in crime prevention efforts. Aid others when they become victims of crime. Work for a better and safer neighborhood through protecting and honoring the rights of others.

### DISASTER PREPAREDNESS

Learn skills to prepare for man-made and natural disasters. Connect with local, state and federal government agencies to prepare your family. Encourage neighbors to prepare and plan before a disaster happens.

### **BUILD A STRONG COMMUNITY**

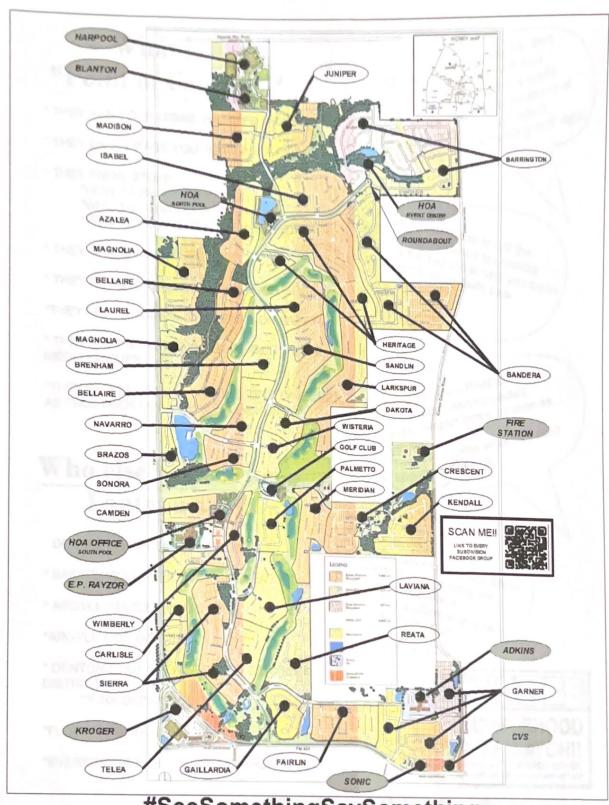
Get to know your neighbors. Social media is great, but face to face interactions build the strongest bonds. Look out for your neighbors and their property. Keep each other informed about neighborhood happenings and crime that may be occurring. Connected communities are proven to be SAFER COMMUNITIES!!



### DCSO

911 for emergencies & crimes in progress 940-349-1600 ext #9 non-emergency

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### What is a "Point of Contact"?

- \* THEY ARE YOUR CRIME WATCH CAPTAINS
- \* THEY ENCOURAGE YOU TO REPORT CRIME
- \* THEY KNOW STUFF
  - \*HOW TO REPORT A CRIME
  - \*WHO TO CONTACT AT THE HOA
  - \*HOW TO CONNECT WITH NEIGHBORS
- \* THEY SHARE IMPORTANT INFO
- \* THEY'RE ACTIVE IN YOUR FACEBOOK GROUP
- \*THEY HELP EDUCATE RESIDENTS ON SAFETY
- \* THEY KEEP SCAMMERS OUT OF OUR SOCIAL MEDIA GROUPS
- \*THEY'RE A PERSON EVERYONE RECOGNIZES AS TRUSTWORTHY AND APPROACHABLE

Who else helps is keep Lantana safe?

- \* DOUBLE OAK POLICE DEPARTMENT
- \* BARTONVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT
- \* ARGYLE POLICE DEPARTMENT
- \*ARGYLE FIRE DISTRICT
- \* DENTON COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT #1
  - \*\*FIRE DEPARTMENT
- \*FLOCK CAMERA SYSTEMS
- \*EVERBRIDGE EMERGENCY NOTIFICATIONS

WE have more eyes on our own community at any point in time community at any point in time than an entire police force could than an entire police force saware of have. It's important to be aware your surroundings and report your surroundings and report to police when something isn't right.

Don't be embarrassed to call the police. They're trained to prioritize calls and it's their job to help you make sure our community feels safe.

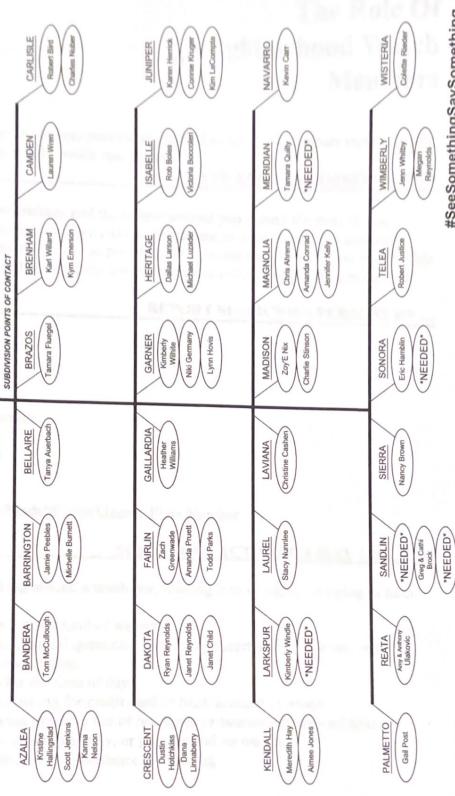
REPORT THE CRIME!!!
Or the attempted/suspected
crime. Report things as soon as
you can.
They can't police what they don't
know is happening.

Meet your neighbors. Welcome
people when they move in.
communities. Crime rates are SAFE
PROVEN to be lower in
looks out for each other.



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CRIME WATCH COORDINATOR

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NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

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\*Current as of 10/12/2023

### The Role Of Neighborhood Watch Members

If citizens get together to actively prevent crime half as often as criminals meet to create crime, the community would notice real change.

EYES AND EARS OBSERVATION

Be aware of your surroundings and the people around you during the day. If you observe something suspicious, notify law enforcement as soon as you can and try to describe the activity as accurately as possible. Stay on the telephone so you can provide additional information that may help law enforcement officers responding to the call.

### REPORT SUSPICIOUS PERSONS BY ...

- Sex
- Race
- Height
- Weight
- Hair Color / Length
- Eyes / Glasses
- Tattoos / Scars
- Clothing
- Weapon
- Vehicle: Make/Model/Color/License Plate Number

### **SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITIES MAY INCLUDE:**

- Individual walking around a residence, looking into windows or trying to force open doors
- Individual carrying any kind of weapon
- Solicitors asking unusual questions, appearing uncertain of questions or the purpose for their questions
- Unusual noises for the time of day
- Telephone caller asking for credit card or bank account numbers
- Individual carrying property out of residence or business at unusual times
- Car driving past area repeatedly, or parking and no one exits
- Individual running from a residence or building

### COMMON DRUG ACTIVITIES

- Unusual or chemical odors coming from a residence
- Vacant or occupied house with unusually high amount of traffic to and from, especially late at night
- Double-parked cars in front of house
- Groups of people congregating on front steps of residence, or nearby
- People displaying large sums of cash, or carrying valuables into house but leaving without them

**TEAMWORK** 

Working together for the good of the Watch and your neighborhood. Help out neighbors by watching their homes when they are away on vacation or just at work. Maintain a lived-in look to neighbors' residence by picking up newspapers and mail; parking your car in their driveway, and putting garbage cans out on the day it is normally collected. By maintaining a lived-in appearance to homes, you and your neighbors are working together to prevent criminal activity in the area.

There are many other ways you can work with your neighbors. If a neighbor or family in your area is a victim of crime, Watch members can show support by going with them to court, or contacting a Victim Assistance Center for them.

### PRACTICE PERSONAL SAFETY AND SECURITY

Crime prevention is a way of life that offers greater security and peace of mind. Practice basic personal safety measures and always be aware of your surroundings, whether at home or away. Maximize home security by surveying and correcting security weaknesses in your residence. A law enforcement officer will survey your home with you and discuss ways to increase home security.

**MEETINGS** 

Regularly attend meetings and work with other members on the goals and initiatives of the Watch. Not only will you receive crime prevention training at meetings, but also you will benefit from meeting neighbors and keeping up with area concerns as they arise.

### Suspect Description Sheet

Sex	_Race	Age Height_	Weight
Hair			Hat
Eye Color		M. F. Brancher L. Change	
			Shirt
Glasses			Coat
Mustache/ Beard/ Sideburns	A	173	Tie
		9	
Complexion			Pants
Tattoos, Amputations, Scars	FILE		Shoes
Speech Impediments or Accents			Weapon
is has alone.		Pisto	Revolver
		Rifle	Knife
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Distinguishable G	ait or Limp		

MODEL:	Color:	Interior
Did vehicle have tint Did vehicle have dan How many doors: Mini-Van Truck V	ted windows?  mage: (circle area) ——  2 4  Vagon SUV Hatchba  chse plates? Number:	ck Convertible
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	e any noises? (muffler,	

### Disaster Preparedness: A Checklist

4	Make a list of important phone numbers, such as non-emergency numbers for the police and fire nents, FBI field office, and local emergency management office. Post it by your telephone, ure children know how to dial 911 or "0" in an emergency.
I (prefera	Develop a communications plan for your family. Choose someone who does not live with you ably out-of-town) that you and other family members can contact to check on each other in the nat you are separated during a disaster. Carry the number in your wallet.
I	Establish a meeting place for family members if home or neighborhood evacuation is necessary, place near your home and one outside your neighborhood in case you can't return after a
A	Assemble an emergency preparedness kit that contains the following supplies:
	three to five day supply of water (one gallon per person per day) food that will not spoil and requires no cooking first-aid kit and needed medicine emergency tools, such as a battery powered radio, cell phone, flashlight extra batteries personal items like toilet paper and plastic garbage bags change of clothing and blankets for each person portable generator if possible
Т	Take a basic course in CPR and first-aid.
L	earn how to turn off water, gas, and electricity at the main switches.
	earn about emergency plans for your children's school or day care center.
D	Draw a floor plan of your home and mark two escape routes from each room. Practice your vacuation plan.
K	Znow your community's evacuation routes.
V	Work with your Neighborhood Watch group or civic association to create community disaster preparedness plans.

### WHO DO I CALL?

Lantana is a unique Community in that it does not rest inside the corporate limits of a municipality. Lantana is located in unincorporated Denton County.

To provide some of the services that a municipality normally provides, Fresh Water Supply Districts 6 & 7 were created. This can be confusing sometimes for the residents of Lantana on which entity they should contact for a particular service or concern.

Below is a small list to clarify who you can call for specific services.

### LANTANA COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

940.728.1660 | WWW.LANTANALIVE.COM AFTER HOURS EMERGENCY LINE: 214-373-2412

Association Common Areas:

\*North Amenity Center and North Pond

\*South Amenity Center & Town Green

\*Tennis Courts

\*Mesquite Park Pool & Playground

\*Tennis Courts

\*Mesquite Park Pool & Playground

\*Hickory Park Pool & Playground

\*Oak Park Pool & Playground

Architectural Review Committee Submittals:

\*For All Exterior Modifications\*

Community Events
Front Yard Maintenance
Vector Security
Grande Communications | Basic Cable:
\*In Select Neighborhoods
Barking Dogs:
\*You will need to be able to provide address
Monument Entry Sign Lights

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### FRESH WATER SUPPLY DISTRICT

940.728.5050 | WWW.LANTANATX.ORG

Trash Collection
Water Bill
Perimeter Stone & Brick Walls
Right of Ways along:
\*Lantana Trail
\*Rayzor Road

\*Branch Crossing
\*Stacee Lane

Building Permits
Block Party Permits
Streets
Sidewalks:

\*With More Than 1 inch Vertical Movement Street Regulatory Signs Neighborhood Parks Hike & Bike Trails

### **DENTON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE**

EMERGENCY: 9-1-1 | NON-EMERGENCY: 940-349-1600

Traffic Concerns:

\*Speeding/Reckless Driving
Crime Stoppers
Animal Control

Jail Information Jail Records Warrants

### COSERV ELECTRIC

1.800.566.2314 | WWW.COSERV.COM

Street Light Outages