RIVERVIEW FOREST NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH



Artwork by Christopher Gervasi

The Riverview Forest Neighborhood Watch (RFNW) has identified three primary areas of concern to the Forest residents: (1) home and auto burglaries, (2) vandalism, and (3) making the neighborhood safer for children. In the fall of 2014 the Riverview Forest Neighborhood Watch was formed. Concerned residents decided to collectively work together with the Riverview Police Department to monitor and report crimes and suspicious activities to the authorities to eliminate these areas of concern.

OUR MISSION

The Riverview Forest Neighborhood Watch has been established as a means of monitoring and reporting both criminal activity and quality of life issues to the appropriate authorities and to come together as a community to get to know our neighbors in order to maintain a safe and enjoyable neighborhood for all residents.

OUR GOALS

- 1. Implement a system for monitoring, reporting, and following up on suspicious activity.
- 2. Educate Forest residents on ways to prevent and report crime.
- 3. Act as a liaison between the Forest residents and the Riverview Police Department to keep residents accurately informed of criminal activity in a timely manner.
- 4. Create a safe, unified neighborhood by promoting community events including safety seminars, block parties, and an annual National Night Out every year. Also by implementing programs to welcome new neighbors to the Forest and to help neighbors that need assistance during adverse weather or natural disasters.
- 5. Maintain a neighborhood that is safe for children by monitoring vehicle speeds, keeping sidewalks clear, keeping parks clean, and creating safe zones.

WE HAVE MEETINGS

Meetings between Forest residents and the Riverview Police Department are held regularly at the Forest Elementary School. Notice of upcoming meeting dates and times are posted on our closed Facebook group named "Riverview Forest Neighborhood Watch" and on Nextdoor.com "Nextdoor Forest Crime & Safety" page. By request we can email you instead when meetings are scheduled. For residents that do not have access to the Internet, call us and we can contact you by phone with pertinent updates to meetings and deliver printed meeting minutes to your home.

Our Facebook page is located at https://www.facebook.com/groups/ForestNWG/. It is open only to residents of the Forest subdivision and we ask that you register before we add you to our Facebook group by sending us your name, home address, E-mail, cell phone, and home phone.

For residents that are not on Facebook, you can sign-up to view this information with a great website called Nextdoor https://www.nextdoor.com/. Select the Forest as your neighborhood.

We have a page on the City of Riverview's Website: http://www.cityofriverview.com/neighborhood_watch_info/index.php

WE HAVE FRIENDS

Our Riverview Police Department liaisons are Ofc. Bruce Herrick and Ofc. Rich Troupe. One of them is regularly in attendance at our Forest Neighborhood Watch meetings.

Here's a list of how to get help:

Public Safety: 911 (emergency) or Riverview Police Department: (734)281-4222 (non-emergency) Visit: http://www.cityofriverview.com/residents/business/important_phone_numbers/index.php for more phone numbers of important departments in the City of Riverview.

Here's how to contact the Riverview Forest Neighborhood Watch with anonymous tips, registration or comments:

Phone: (734)530-1277

Email: RiverviewForestNW@Gmail.Com

REGISTRATION IS EASY PARTICIPATE AS MUCH OR LITTLE AS YOU CHOOSE

It's easy to register as a member of the RFNW to receive meeting notices, meeting minute summaries, newsletters, and crime prevention tips! Registration sheets are available at every meeting and RFNW event or you can contact us by phone, E-mail or Facebook message us with your **name**, address, home phone/cell phone numbers, and E-mail address. We'll register you with the organization and make sure that you are added to our mailing list. There aren't any expected commitments when you register as a member of the Riverview Forest Neighborhood Watch. Participate as much or as little as you would like with the meetings and events. Our only request is that you keep the Riverview Police Department or the RFNW informed of suspicious activities or unsafe conditions in the neighborhood.

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