



Responsibilities of a Neighborhood Watch Block Captain

- Block Captains act as liaison between the law enforcement agency and their respective Neighborhood Watch group.
- Be responsible for organizing block meetings in their area; these meetings may be held in the Block Captain's home or the home of any Watch member.
- Distribute information to the members in their neighborhood through flyers, bulletins, newsletters, newspapers, etc.
- Keep in contact, at reasonable intervals, with their Watch members so they are aware of any neighborhood problems (such as burglaries or drug information) and can alert other Watch members.
- Encourage neighborhood participation in the Program and encourage members to attend meetings. Be sure to welcome new neighbors to the community and encourage their joining Neighborhood Watch.
- Encourage members to report suspicious circumstances to police; monitor crime trends and problem areas in your neighborhood.
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- Inform the community relations unit if your phone numbers change or you plan to move to another area.
- Inform neighbors of your responsibility as a Block Captain-what a Block Captain CAN and CANNOT do.

The **non-emergency** number to the 9-1-1 dispatch center is **661-327-7111** and is available 24 hours a day.

The Bakersfield Police Department's Community Relations Unit can be reached at **661-326-3053** during regular business hours.

9-1-1 should always be the first call in an emergency