

Kahnawake Neighborhood Watch Program

The "Kahnawake Neighborhood watch program" is a **community** initiative, created to help prevent crime and increase safety on the territory. It is operated solely by community members with the support of local governments, law enforcement and local businesses.

The Kahnawake neighborhood watch itself is a organized group of citizens devoted to crime and vandalism prevention in our community.

Our role is to assist the Peacekeepers in reducing crime and increasing safety in the community by observing and reporting suspicious activity. And to offer additional protection, and reassurance, to our elders and the community by maintaining an active and visible presence on the territory.

Kahnawake Neighborhood Watch, is simply good neighbours working together, watching for signs of possible crime in their area so they can help to stop it before it starts.

The Kahnawake Neighborhood Watch will help its members to:

- Improve the security of their homes, families, and personal belongings.
- provide reassurance to our elders and members of the community by maintaining a visible presence in our neighborhoods
- Recognize suspicious and unusual activity in their neighborhood and community.
- Build a communications network that works to protect their neighborhoods and community.
- And to gain a feeling of genuine security through the ability to actually deter crime.

The Peacekeepers can't stop crime they don't know about, and they can't be everywhere at once. The Kahnawake Neighborhood watch will offer a measure of extra protection to our community and the possibility of preventing criminal activity before it starts.

The main objectives of the "Kahnawake Neighborhood Watch" are:

1. To be a high-visibility crime deterrent

- 2.To reduce crime in our neighborhoods and community.
3. To help provide reassurance to our elders and members of the community.
4. To provide appropriate and up-to-date crime prevention information to other members and neighbors
5. To encourage members of our community to be alert and vigilant in looking after themselves,neighbors and the territory.
6. To identify specific areas or issues of concern pertaining to community safety and security, and find ways to address them.
7. To send a clear message to criminals that we don't tolerate crime or mischief in our community

What's Expected of "Kahnawake Neighborhood Watch" Members?

- 1.watch your neighborhood and your neighbors homes for signs of suspicious activity, and report it **immediately** to the peace keepers.
 - 2.Report suspicious persons, vehicles and activities to the police **immediately**.
 - 3.Be aware of what's going on in your neighborhood and community.(its not being a busy body, being more familiar with the goings on of your neighborhood will make it easier to spot suspicious activity)
 - 4.have an up-to-date list of your immediate neighbors names and phone numbers. If you observe suspicious activity around your neighbor's house, you should be able to contact them.(a chart will be provided for this)
 - 5.provide crime prevention information and advice to other watch members, neighbors and community members(the neighborhood watch coordinator will regularly distribute up-to-date crime, and crime prevention information to members.)
 6. carefully read all information and training packets provided by the program coordinator or neighborhood watch captain.
 - 7.Attend regular meetings with other Watch group members.
 - 8.Develop a watchful, concerned attitude towards community protection. This is our home and its all of our duty to protect it
 - 9.Make an effort to participate in the neighborhood foot patrol (you are not required to patrol)
- Kahnawake Neighborhood Watch members are responsible for watching over the whole of the

territory, not just these individual neighborhoods. Whether you're on your own street or across town, it's your duty to report suspicious or criminal activity.

Kahnawake Neighborhood Watch doesn't ask that a member take any personal risk. The responsibility for apprehending criminals belongs to the PeaceKeepers. Your job is simply to Observe and report.

Neighborhood Patrol

The Kahnawake Neighborhood Patrol consists of dedicated members of neighborhood watch who want to take a more active role in protecting the community and preventing crime.

By maintaining an active and visible presence on the territory we offer additional protection, and reassurance, to our elders and members of the community.

As a Neighborhood Patroller, you are responsible for reporting activities or situations of a criminal or suspicious nature to the Peace Keepers.

We are simply Neighborhood watch on wheels, here to act as additional "eyes and ears" for local law enforcement.

• **A Neighborhood Watch Patroller's duty is:**

- To be high-visibility crime deterrent.
- To be a vigilant observer.
- To be a helpful friend to neighbors and community members.
- To assist local law enforcement when requested.

A patroller does not possess Police powers. He does not apprehend criminals or make arrests

Community Patrol Requirements

-Patrollers must be eighteen (18) years of age or older

- You will be required to attend an interview with the program coordinator and/or program representative.

-Patrollers must never represent themselves, or operate as, Neighborhood watch patrol while intoxicated.

-All patrol members must complete a basic orientation training which will cover Rules of Conduct, roles and responsibilities, and Observation techniques

- Patrollers will be required to participate in patrol meetings when called.

-Patrollers will maintain a suitable dress code while on patrol.

-Patrollers will prominently display all provided Neighborhood Patrol Identification when on Duty.

- Patrollers will assist local law enforcement, the Kahnawake fire brigade, EMT and other security patrols whenever possible or when requested.

Rules of conduct For Neighborhood Watch members and Patrollers:

Will act in a professional manner at all times, fulfilling his/her duties and obligations with integrity and competence.

Will always put their own safety and the safety of others first.

Will respect the confidentiality of all persons and information obtained within the Kahnawake Neighborhood Watch

Will not solicit or accept any gratuities for services provided through the patrol.

Will not use any knowledge gained through their service for financial gain or profit.

Will not recklessly or unlawfully pursue any vehicle or persons.

Will not carry firearms on patrol.