



# Announcing Lomita Heights Implementation of the Neighborhood Watch Program

Neighborhood Watch is one of the oldest and best-known crime prevention concepts in North America. On October 12, 2011 COPE Section Leaders and interested neighbors attended a presentation and chose to participate.

Our participation will include the following three components:

### **Neighborhood Watch Signs**

Nine signs have been purchased through donations and posted by the city at each street and most of the cul-de-sac's.

### **On-going Education about How to Reduce Crime**

The presentation clarified what and how to report:

- Call 911 when there is a fire, medical emergency or a crime in progress.
- Call 528-5222, the police non-emergency line, to report any suspicious or illegal activity or dangerous situations. Suspicious activity is any incident, event, individual or activity that seems unusual or out of place. You should identify yourself as a resident in Lomita Heights Neighborhood Watch.
- We recommend adding 528-5222 on all your land and cell speed dials.

### **Improve Observation Skills to Better Communicate with Law Enforcement**

- Physical setting – Specific location, time of day, day of week
- People – Height, weight, ethnicity, gender, things that cannot be changed
- Vehicles – Make, model, color, type; license plate number
- Routines – Did you notice any recurring patterns? How often did they occur? Who was involved?

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