

SAFETY RULES FOR PARENTS TO SHARE WITH CHILDREN

WALKING

- Do it with a friend
- Stay on sidewalks and main streets; don't take shortcuts
- Go straight home from school
- Walk facing traffic, not in the same direction

PLAYING

- Don't play in abandoned houses or garages
- Don't go into public restrooms alone
- Don't play alone

STRANGERS

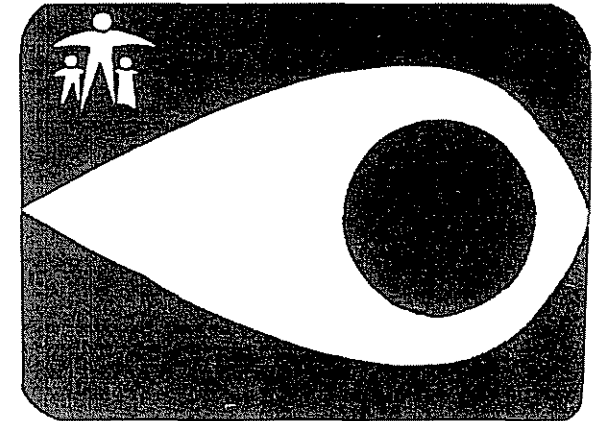
- Don't talk to them
- Don't ride with them
- Don't get close enough for them to touch you
- Don't take candy or anything else from them
- Don't tell a caller on the telephone that you are alone, even if you are
- Don't let them into your house or apartment

Remember, if a stranger tries to grab you, run away as fast as you can and scream as loud as you can. Tell someone you can trust (a police officer, teacher, store employee) about it right away!

REMEMBER, PARENTS:

- Pick up your children on time; don't make them wait for you -- it's dangerous
- Always make sure they have change for the telephone
- Practice what you preach; follow the rules you set for your children
- Listen to your children; they can tell you what happened
- Know where your children are and when they are returning

COMMUNITY CHILD WATCH



CARING CAN'T WAIT

WHAT IS COMMUNITY CHILD WATCH?

The Community Child Watch Program was established in 1979 to reduce the opportunity for a child to become a victim of a crime.

Administered jointly by local law enforcement agencies and school districts, the Community Child Watch Program's success depends on volunteers who have been trained to observe, recognize, record and report suspicious activities and persons. Each trained volunteer is provided with a poster for display in their window and a Handbook for reference. The window posters have proven to be a deterrent to not only Child Molesters, but also over-all crime in neighborhoods where a significant number of posters are displayed. Visualize what effect a Community Child Watch Poster in every window on your street would have, not only as a crime deterrent, but also as a comfort to children and adults who traverse your street.

We encourage all persons 18 years and over; parents, singles, grandparents and senior citizens to join us in reducing crime as a Community Child Watch Volunteer. Caring Can't Wait!

COMMUNITY CHILD WATCH VOLUNTEER REQUIREMENTS

1. Authorize your local law enforcement agency to determine if you have been involved in any assaultive or child-related activity.
2. Attend a one hour training session.
3. Display a Community Child Watch Poster in your window.
4. Give some of your leisure time to watching and observing.
5. Helping your neighborhood become free of crime.

ADULT TRAINING SESSIONS

Community Child Watch Training Sessions consist of a one hour slide show and lecture which will teach you how to be observant, what to look for and what to do when you observe something suspicious.

These Training Sessions are usually held at your neighborhood churches, schools or Community Centers at a convenient time.

STUDENT TRAINING SESSIONS

Training Sessions are also provided for elementary school children. These sessions are held at their school and are presented in a manner that they can understand. A trained volunteer will show the children slides and discuss safety rules and precautions to take while playing, shopping, or going to and from school. They are also taught how to report incidents which they see or are involved in.

COMMUNITY CHILD WATCH VOLUNTEER APPLICATION FORM

NAME _____
ADDRESS _____
PHONE _____ DATE OF BIRTH _____
DRIVER'S LICENSE NUMBER _____
SPOUSE'S NAME _____ DATE OF BIRTH _____
NEAREST SCHOOL _____
HOW MANY YEARS AT CURRENT ADDRESS _____

I UNDERSTAND THAT A LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY WILL CHECK TO DETERMINE IF I HAVE A CRIMINAL RECORD AND HEREBY RELEASE THEM FROM ANY AND ALL LIABILITY AND CLAIMS.

SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____
WITNESS _____

RETURN THIS FORM TO YOUR LOCAL SCHOOL

PLEASE ATTACH A SEPARATE SHEET LISTING ABOVE INFORMATION ON OTHERS OVER THE AGE OF 18 WHO RESIDE IN THE HOME.