

Partners in Crime Prevention and Neighbourhood Development



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Why Should You Attend Your Block Party?

Neighbours that know each other, watch out for each other. Neighbourhood Watch and Citizen's Patrol encourage people to attend block parties so they can connect with near-by neighbours, and exchange contact information. Then, if you notice something amiss (like a garage door left open late at night), you can call your neighbour and tell them about the problem.

When to Call Police

Do not hesitate to call, and don't assume that someone else has called the police.

Intelligence enables police activities to be guided by reliable, critical and timely information. Police rely on the community to be their eyes and ears. Reporting to the police enables them to have a better picture of the crime in the area. Call the numbers below to report crime and suspicious activity. If you have information about crimes that have already occurred, and you want to remain anonymous, call Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477).

Call 911 for emergencies, such as:

- Crime is in progress, like a break-in, vandalism, theft from auto
- Person is in danger or in harm's way
- Unusual noises - screams, breaking glass

Call 780-458-7700 for non-emergencies, such as:

- Slow moving vehicles cruising the block – possibly casing a home
- Vehicle being loaded with valuables – possible burglary or theft in progress
- Persons looking into parked cars
- Persons going door to door, particularly back doors
- Persons going door to door asking to use the phone/looking for an address
- Occupied vehicle parked for an extended period of time
- Vehicle circling an area repeatedly
- Hissing sound of spray paint being applied, especially at night

You Can Prevent Many Common Crimes

Here is a list of crimes that are common in St. Albert, and what you can do to prevent them:

Theft from vehicles – the #1 property crime in St. Albert

Remove all valuables and lock your vehicle; get a free “All Items Removed” card from Neighbourhood Watch (780.460.4276 or info@eyewatch.info).

Theft from garages and sheds – the #2 property crime in St. Albert

Close all doors to the buildings and keep them locked.

Theft of vehicles – most common in winter when people leave vehicles idling

Never leave an unattended vehicle running; don't leave keys in a vehicle.

Theft of catalytic converters (cut from vehicles and sold for their precious metal content)

Avoid parking in dark areas or where there are few people to observe the thief.

Theft of licence plates from vehicles (this crime is growing in frequency)

Secure your plates with anti-theft fasteners (free from Neighbourhood Watch – call 780.460.4276 or info@eyewatch.info).

Theft from homes and businesses

Don't leave tools and ladders outside where criminals can use them to break in.

You Can Make Your Community a Safer Place for Everyone

Exchange contact information with near-by neighbours and call them when something is amiss.

Join Citizen's Patrol and walk, cycle or drive with a purpose to deter criminal activity – call 780.569.5499 or go to www.citizenspatrol.org.

Join the Neighbourhood Network and connect with your neighbours – call Angie Dedrick, the City's Neighbourhood Development Coordinator at 780.459.1756 or email adedrick@stalbert.ca.

Stay informed with the latest information from the RCMP – check the crime map at www.stalbert.ca/crime-map and register to receive police news at www.whatsupnow.ca.

Record your serial numbers so police can return recovered property to you – store the numbers securely at www.SerialNumberRegistry.ca.

Deter mischief by reporting graffiti and disrepair so it can be cleaned up right away – get the “Spruce It Up” (SeeClickFix) app for your smart phone.

Report street light outages to service.fortisalberta.com/streetlights or download their app. Keep your block well lit.

Ensure your house numbers are visible from the street and alley. When seconds count, it will help first responders locate your home more quickly.