

Neighborhood Watch

Changes coming to Fairway Villas NHW Program



With all of the changes in our community since the inception of our Neighborhood Watch Program over 5 years ago and with the transition to Goodwin as our community manager, the NHWatch team has evaluated best ways for our NHWatch program to move forward. Our goal is to keep our community as safe as possible, to maintain an open line of communication with the Denver Police Dept through our Community Resource Officers, and to disseminate safety information to Fairway Villas residents in the most efficient and timely manner.

With the agreement of our Community Resource Officers at the Denver Police Dept, we are moving away from the Block Captain model. To date we have had block captains for designated block areas in both FV I & II. The role of the captains changed and evolved over the past 5 years as our community grew. As folks have moved in and out, it has become more challenging to replace captains who have requested to step back from that role. Communication of information to residents has become less consistent as neighborhoods have changed. In lieu of block captains, we will now have “points of contact.” These volunteers will be available to attend monthly DPD Commanders’ Meetings on Zoom as back up to The NHWatch Program Lead, to respond to resident questions about safety in our community, and to be available as back up communicators with the Denver Police Dept.

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In accordance with Goodwin guidelines and policies, all communications from Neighborhood Watch will now be posted on TownSq. Gina is working to set up a FV

website on TownSq. Once she has completed that, she will designate a page / folder designated for NHWatch where residents will be able to find notes from the monthly Commander's Meetings, safety and Neighborhood Watch information & tips from the police department, and notices of any incidences of crimes reported within the Fairway Villas community. Gina has started posting notices of monthly DPD Commander's meetings so any resident who is interested can access the Zoom link and information for those meetings. So as she gets that mastered, we will set up that page and keep the community informed as to when that is available.

NHWatch will also have a section on the CAC website. That is currently a work in progress. Watch for it in the near future.

You are encouraged to report incidences of crime or suspicious activity to a NHWatch volunteer contact person after reporting them to the police. One of the ways that we can continue to keep crime mitigated in our community is to share that information with our neighbors. The goals for sharing incidences of crime within our community are to increase awareness, to have lots of eyes and ears open, to report any information that residents may have about a crime or suspicious activities, and to document new trends.

Neighborhood Watch is all about watching out for our neighbors. Police data confirms that neighborhoods where residents are well connected and aware of their neighbors' activities have less crime. If we remain aware, vigilant, and informed, our Neighborhood Watch Program will continue to be successful.

Thank you to all of the resident volunteers who helped to establish our NHWatch program and have served as block captains since then. Your time and efforts have been appreciated.

Watch for safety updates on TownSq and on the CAC website. Thank you for your patience as we work to get NHWatch information into these 2 sites.

Kathy Villere
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