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NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH MEETING INVITATION

Dear Neighbor:

This is an invitation to you to help crime-proof our neighborhood.

We are getting together to talk about <u>NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH</u>, a simple neighborshelping neighbors program that has helped other communities reduce crime by as much as 65%. Many watch groups have not only seen crime go down, but have discovered a new feeling of caring and belonging among neighbors. Many have used their combined efforts to improve their streets, recreational opportunities and local services.

All of us are concerned about becoming the victim of crime, but not one of us can fight crime alone. Not even the police can do it without our help. Isolating ourselves behind locked doors, not knowing our neighbors, actually makes it easier for burglars and other criminals to take advantage of our neighborhood.

At the meeting you will learn about the activities of a <u>NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH</u>. What's asked is really quite simple, such as picking up the newspapers and mail when your neighbor's away on vacation. Keeping an eye out for unusual activity, like a strange person snooping around a house, then alerting the police and neighbors. We could help by escorting a frightened shut-in to a community meeting or visiting someone that has been a victim of a crime.

You can help decide the best ways to protect our neighborhood by telling us what concerns you. Please be sure to attend. Many thanks!

Let's Talk About Neighborhood Watch!

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