



BOROUGH OF MAGNOLIA



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THE MAGNOLIA POLICE DEPARTMENT'S TOWN WATCH PROGRAM:

THE BOROUGH OF MAGNOLIA POLICE DEPARTMENT'S TOWN WATCH PROGRAM IS CREATED TO ENHANCE NEIGHBORHOOD SECURITY, HEIGHTEN THE COMMUNITY'S POWER OF OBSERVATION AND TO ENCOURAGE MUTUAL ASSISTANCE AMONG NEIGHBORS.

THE PROGRAM IS DESIGNED TO:

- (A) INCREASE CITIZEN AWARENESS OF BURGLARY THROUGH A CONTINUING INFORMATIONAL PROGRAM.
- (B) TRAIN CITIZENS TO BETTER THEIR HOME SECURITY AND ASSIST THEM IN MAKING THEIR PROPERTY MORE SECURE.
- (C) DEVELOP A NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH PROGRAM WHERE NEIGHBORS HELP WATCH EACH OTHER'S PROPERTY AND REPORT SUSPICIOUS PERSONS AND ACTIVITIES TO LAW ENFORCEMENT PERSONNEL.
- (D) TO ENCOURAGE ALL CITIZENS TO COOPERATE WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES IN REPORTING CRIME.

THE MAGNOLIA TOWN PROGRAM WILL BE GOVERNED BY THE MAGNOLIA POLICE PROGRAM COORDINATOR AND THE CHIEF OF POLICE.

A TOWN WATCH MEETING WILL BE SCHEDULED QUARTERLY AND WILL BE ATTENDED BY THE POLICE PROGRAM COORDINATOR AND ALL THE MEMBERS OF THE TOWN WATCH.

THE MEETINGS WILL ALLOW THE POLICE DEPARTMENT TO DISTRIBUTE INFORMATION TO VARIOUS SECTORS AND REPORT THE PROGRESS OF THE PROGRAM.

- (1) TOWN WATCH MEMBERS MUST BE AT LEAST 18 YEARS OF AGE.
- (2) EACH MEMBER WILL BE GIVEN A IDENTIFICATION NUMBER TO USE WHEN REPORTING A CRIME OR SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY.

(3) MAGNOLIA TOWN WATCH MEMEBERS ARE DIRECTED TO REPORT ANY CRIME OR SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY TO THE MAGNOLIA POLICE DEPT. THERE WILL BE **NO!** DIRECT CONTACT BETWEEN THE TOWN WATCH MEMBER AND A SUSPICIOUS PERSON OR PERSONS.