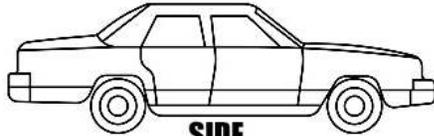


ROCKFORD POLICE DEPARTMENT

VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION



SIDE



FRONT



BACK

LICENSE NUMBER: _____

VEHICLE MAKE: _____ MODEL: _____

VEHICLE TYPE (CAR-VAN-ETC.) _____

BODY STYLE (2DR-4DR-ETC.) _____ YEAR: _____

COLOR(S): _____

DIRECTION OF TRAVEL: _____

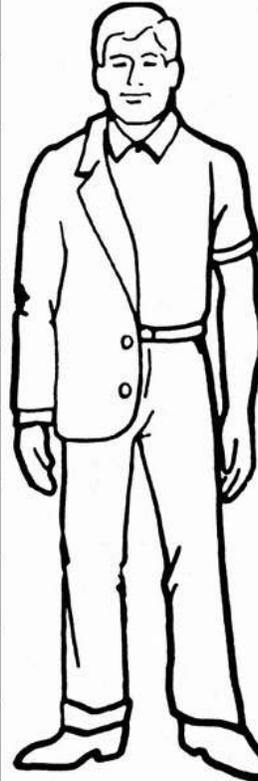
DATE & TIME: _____

ADDITIONAL DETAILS

SUSPECT IDENTIFICATION

		FEET	IN	LBS	
SEX	RACE	APPROX HEIGHT		WEIGHT	AGE

HAIR COLOR / STYLE
COLOR EYES / GLASSES
BEARD / MUSTACHE
COMPLEXION / SCARS
SPEECH / ACCENT
SHIRT / TIE
COAT / JACKET
PANTS / JEANS
HAT / CAP
SHOES / BOOTS
TATTOOS / OTHER MARKS



**STAY ON THE TELEPHONE
PLEASE DON'T HANG UP**

**CRIMES IN PROGRESS
911**

**OTHER CRIMES
966-2900**

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH PROGRAM

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH



**ROCKFORD POLICE
EMERGENCY
911**

**HELP MAKE YOUR
NEIGHBORHOOD SAFE**

Starting a Neighborhood Watch Group Means Getting Involved and Staying Involved.

Neighborhood Watch is a total citizen participation in a small area. It involves a cooperative effort between citizens and The Rockford Police Department in a mutual battle against burglary, vandalism and other neighborhood crimes.

You can be a catalyst in your neighborhood in organizing a Watch Group. Make an effort! Call the Rockford Police Department's Community Services Unit at 987-5041.

We can offer you a form letter to distribute to your neighbors explaining the purpose and listing the date, time and location where the meeting is to be held.

The next step prior to the meeting is to obtain a plot map of your area from the County Records Office at the Winnebago County Court House. Everyone who attended the meeting would sign his or her name, address and telephone number on a sign-in sheet. This information is then transferred to the plot map at a later date. Everyone who attended should receive a finished copy of the map. In this manner, people who might not know all of their neighbors would be able to contact them if they see anything suspicious. Once the fore-mentioned preliminaries are met, the meeting should be scheduled with the Community Services Officer responsible for your area. The Officer will attend your meeting to discuss ways to safeguard your home and neighborhood against criminals.

Neighborhoods are less inviting to burglars if every home is secure. Make sure your home has good dead bolt locks; windows should be covered to prevent a burglar from looking in to see if the car is gone and what there is to steal. Shrubbery should not offer a hiding place for a criminal; and remember that lighting is a cheap and effective crime deterrent. Neighborhood Watch goes beyond the concept of securing your own home. It means caring about your neighbors, being aware of who is in your neighborhood and what is happening. It also means calling the police and your neighbors if you see suspicious people, vehicles or activity. It gives you and your neighbors a greater sense of security when you know someone cares.

Criminals become aware of those areas having Neighborhood Watch Groups because the people attending the program are given warning decals. Burglars, knowing that the residents are alert and will report activities to the police, soon move to other neighborhoods.

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EMERGENCY
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www.rockfordil.gov**

WHAT IS SUSPICIOUS?

- People who are taking shortcuts between houses may have broken into a home on the next street.
- Someone walking along looking into cars.
- A stranger ringing doorbells house to house (could be salesmen or could be a burglar).
- Cars cruising slowly up and down the street or around the block.
- Someone sitting in a car with the engine on (he could be waiting for his girlfriend or acting as a lookout for a burglar).
- A stranger walking alone with a television, a stereo or a full pillowcase, etc.
- The sound of breaking glass.

WHEN REPORTING TO THE POLICE, REMEMBER TO:

1. Keep Calm.
2. Speak clearly and slowly.
3. Give as many details as possible.
4. Give a complete description of the suspect as you can.

WHEN DESCRIBING A PERSON, TRY TO REMEMBER THE FOLLOWING FACTS.

1. Was the suspect male or female?
2. How tall was the person?
3. What was the person wearing?
4. What race was the person?
5. How much did the person weigh?
6. What was the hair and eye color?
7. Approximate age of the person?
8. Was there a weapon involved?
9. Did the subject have any unusual characteristics?