City of Phoenix

Phoenix Neighborhood Patrol Program

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Phoenix Neighborhood Patrol has long supported the notion that involved residents are the most effective crime fighters, reporting suspicious activity as it occurs. This program allows residents to become more actively involved as partners in crime prevention. They are the Phoenix Police Department's "Eyes and Ears!"

History of Phoenix Neighborhood Patrol

The Phoenix Neighborhood Patrol Program began in 1994 as Block Watchers on Patrol and was associated with the Block Watch McGruff logo. In 1995 P.N.P. members donated over 5,468 hours of their time patrolling their neighborhoods. By 2004, they spent over 26,000 hours and traveled 77,490 miles assisting the police officers of the City of Phoenix Police Department by driving through their neighborhoods and watching for suspicious criminal behavior, fights, traffic problems, stolen vehicles, and missing persons.

In 1999 the program adopted the name of Phoenix Neighborhood Patrol and its new logo. We have had the opportunity and privilege of training over 1500 citizens in observation skills, criminal codes, police procedures, and drug recognition through non- confrontational methods.

In 2014 members logged over 27,000 miles and volunteered over 44,000 hours of their time to their neighborhood! That is over $639,000 in value to the community.

Forms for Phoenix Neighborhood Patrol members

Log Sheet for Hours

Clothing Order Form

Magnetic Signs

Metal Neighborhood Signs

Citizen Patrols?

I thought patrolling was a job for the Police!
Crime prevention is every citizen's responsibility. Some communities in Phoenix already have conducted citizen patrols with success. Providing these patrols often gives people a stronger sense of ownership in their neighborhood, as well as drawing neighbors together in a common cause. The citizen patrols can be conducted on an 'as available' basis and are by no means mandatory. The Phoenix Police Department will provide the training and tools to volunteers who would like to become more involved in crime prevention around their neighborhoods.

What are the requirements for becoming a P.N.P. Member?

After the following qualifications are met, a background check will be completed. This process will include a check for warrants and any criminal record. Persons listed as suspects or investigative

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leads on police reports will be handled on a case-by-case basis. Final approval for participation in the Phoenix Neighborhood Patrol program will be at the discretion of the Patrol Division Assistant Chief of Police

Qualifications:

- Reside in the City of Phoenix
- Be at least 18 years of age
- Possess a valid driver license or Arizona identification card
- Complete mandatory Phoenix Neighborhood Patrol training

Disqualifying conditions:

- Felony convictions within the past 60 months (from time of application)
- Any pending criminal charges
- Conviction for child molestation
- Registered as a sex offender
- Adjudicated by the courts to be mentally incompetent

How many hours are required to participate?

Once you complete the 4 hour training, you decide the amount of time you wish to participate. Any volunteers contributing documented hours to this program will be invited to annual program-related ceremonies.

Below are the Training Outline and Schedule dates.

The "powers" of a Phoenix Neighborhood Patrol member?

Phoenix Neighborhood Patrol participants are citizens, not police officers or police department volunteers. They have no powers of arrest beyond that of any private citizen. They are trained for observation purposes only and participate for benefit of their community or neighborhood.

Phoenix Neighborhood Patrol Training

Training Calendar
Printer Friendly Calendar

There are 4 hours of training in the areas of patrol procedures, observation skills, the 9-1-1 system, reporting techniques, confrontation avoidance, safety practices and Block Watch grants.

Citizens who complete the training will be provided program identification cards, authorized to use identifying automobile door placards and cellular telephone equipment to conduct crime prevention activities in their neighborhood and to record and report suspicious activity.

Block Watch does not promote intervention. Participants will exchange ideas involving crime prevention with patrol officers in their area.

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