

MORNINGSIDE: COMMUNITY SAFETY COMMITTEE (Formerly: Neighborhood Block Watch)

FORMATION: One sentence Mission Statement describing the Committee's "purpose for being".

The purpose of the Community Safety Committee is to improve the security and safety of the homeowners, visitors, and property within the Morningside community.

COMPOSITION: Nine (9) members: Volunteers, determined by proportional representation (streets).

Cardinal (1):
Heron/Hawk (1):
Lucinda (2):
Meadow Lark (2):
Residences (2):
Robin (1):

DUTIES & RESPONSIBILITIES: List all that are consistent with the Committee's "purpose for being".

Committee Captain:

- Act as the spokesperson for the committee.
- Serve as the liaison between Lorain police department, block watch captains, and residents.
- Organize Community Safety Committee meetings.
- Seek co-captains to act as representatives for their neighborhood blocks and streets; maintain and publish co-captain directory.
- Same responsibilities as Co-Captain as listed below, as needed.

Committee Co-Captain:

- Keeps a watchful eye on his/her neighborhood and encourage others to do the same.
- Receives reports from neighbors regarding suspicious activities, property damage, acts of vandalism, etc.
- Prepares an Incident Report form in the Community Safety Committee log located in the clubhouse.
- Contacts Committee Captain regarding incidents, as needed.

Residents:

- Keep a watchful eye on his/her property and surrounding areas.
- Create a safe neighborhood through outdoor lighting, locked cars and doors, etc.
- Contact police immediately to report committed and in-process criminal activity.

LIMITATIONS: Identify the boundaries of the duties, responsibilities and functions of the Committee.

- Do not act in any way in the capacity of a law enforcement officer.
- Do not attempt to handle a situation in any way that may be hazardous to committee captain, co-captains, or residents.

TERM LIMITS: Establish term limits of members, and the term limit of Committee (if applicable).

- Community Safety Committee Captain – Two Year Term
- Community Safety Committee Co-Captains – Two Year Term
- Upon completion of their terms, the captain and/ co-captains at their option may apply for successive terms. When there are multiple interested parties in the same position(s), a committee voting process will be used to determine members.