



Community Services Crime Prevention Newsletter

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To prevent car break-ins:

- Lock your vehicle
- Remove keys and valuables
- Stay alert

Remember:

An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure!

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UPCOMING EVENTS

NNO Kick-Off

Saturday, June 17
5 p.m. - 9 p.m.

Westchester Commons

Bring your family and lawn chairs
(804) 318-8699

Medication Take-Back

Saturday, July 15
9 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Public Safety Training Center

6610 Public Safety Way
Chesterfield
(804) 318-8699

National Night Out

August

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CONTACTING THE POLICE

911 should only be used for emergencies, potential emergencies, or when an emergency is imminent.

For non-emergency situations, such as traffic accidents with no injuries or hazards, loud music, barking dogs, etc., please use the non-emergency number, which is 748-1251. If you are unsure whether a situation is an emergency, call 911 and let the call taker decide if emergency assistance is needed. The Chesterfield County Emergency Communications Center is tasked with receiving information from callers and determining what course of action to take from there.

With the prevalence of mobile phones, it is important to provide the address of the incident when calling. Although the emergency communications center personnel can obtain the

approximate location of a mobile phone in certain situations, this could delay response time.

To speak to a Chesterfield County police officer directly regarding questions or to make a police report by phone, call 748-1269. Some non-emergency reports, such as identity theft, lost property, and vandalism with less than \$5,000 in damage can even be made via the internet. Please visit <http://www.chesterfield.gov/OnlineCrimeReport/> for more details regarding online reports.

Below is a list of some other important police department phone numbers. Please do not use these for situations that need an immediate police officer response.

POLICE CONTACT INFO

» Animal Services	748-1683	» Online Crime Report	http://www.chesterfield.gov/OnlineCrimeReport/
After hours	748-1251	» Police Volunteer Opportunities	318-8995
» Crime Prevention Programs	318-8699	» Project Lifesaver	318-8549
» Crime Solvers	748-0660	» Ride Along Program	751-4710
» Crime Stats	748-1536	» Traffic Hotline	318-8084
» Desk Officer	748-1269	email: speeding@chesterfield.gov	
» Emergency	911	» Uniform Operations	748-1258
» Neighborhood Watch	318-8549	» Vacation Keep Checks	748-1269
» Non-Emergency	748-1251		

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT KICK-OFF

It's hard to believe it, but our National Night Out Kick-Off is right around the corner. Come out and join us for the fun and festivities at Westchester Commons on June 17 from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. East of Hollywood will be performing live and over 30 vendors will be in attendance. An emergency helicopter will be landing at the event and Chesterfield Police will be displaying their boat, motorcycles, National Night Out car, and numerous other emergency vehicles for people of all ages to see and check out.

Remember, it is never too late to register your neighborhood for National Night Out, which is held the first Tuesday in August every year. Numerous neighborhoods have already signed up, and you can, too, at www.chesterfield.gov/nationalnightout or by contacting Career Officer Matt Rogers at 804-318-8549. Neighborhoods that sign up in advance receive a complimentary National Night Out T-shirt, along with a goodie bag filled with fun items to hand out at their block party. On the registration form you can also request that McGruff the Crime Dog stop by your party for photos with the little ones.



NO BUTTS ABOUT IT

As we begin to experience warmer weather, the conditions around us become hotter and drier. We can feel the heat on our skin and in our cars, and we can see the affect dry conditions have on the plant life around us. This is why we ask you to NOT throw your cigarette butts out of your car when driving.

Throwing cigarettes from your vehicle can result in catastrophe. It can pose a threat to surrounding property and nearby communities. Fire can spread far and very fast from one discarded cigarette butt. Please remember this as you travel. Discarding cigarette butts is littering, so please keep them in your car.



SCHOOL IS OUT

The Chesterfield County Police Department recently graduated the 36th session of its Community Academy. Participants in the class, which lasted 10 weeks, received instruction in almost every area of expertise or type of service that the department provides, such as Vice and Narcotics, School Resource Officers, forensics, and the Emergency Communication Center.

The 13th Senior Academy class began on May 9, and participants in that session will get the same curriculum, but to be eligible they had to be at least 55 years of age.

The next open Community Academy session will begin in September 2107. The department's Teen Academy will start on Aug. 7, and wrap up on Aug. 11. Teens who are rising 9th graders thru rising 12th graders are eligible, and should talk to their School Resource Officers for further information. All academy programs require a participant to undergo a background check, as well as either be a county resident, the owner of a business located in the county, or the member of a county-based civic organization.

For further information about the Chesterfield County Police Department Community Academy program, contact Corporal Eckrich at 804-706-2982, or email at eckrichc@chesterfielf.gov.

HOME

Non-Emergency.....	748-1251
Neighborhood Watch Coordinator.....	318-8549
Crime Prevention Program.....	706-2717
Business/Worship Watch Coordinator.....	748-1585



Business Security Assessment.....	748-1585
Home Security Assessment.....	318-8693
Multi-Family Housing Coordinator.....	318-8694
Child Safety Office.....	318-8698