Park Watch Program

Park Watch is a crime prevention program for community parks. Like Block Watch, it provides youth, adults and senior citizens the ability to reduce crime, drugs and gangs in our parks. You are the solution - You know the parks, can spot strangers acting suspicious and know when situations “just don’t look right.” Citizens are the eyes and ears for criminal activities who discourage car break-ins, vandalism, and violations such as smoking, drinking, and unleashed dogs in addition to reporting fallen trees and other naturally occurring hazards.

*Park Watch groups are facilitated by the Everett Police Department.*

*Contact the Crime Prevention Unit to get started - CrimePrevention@everettwa.gov*

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**Park Watch is:**

◊ Adopting a specific park
◊ Learning personal safety techniques to reduce the risk of being victimized
◊ Recognizing suspicious activities & reporting them
◊ Creating groups of concerned citizens to address criminal issues in parks

**Park Watch is NOT:**

◊ A vigilante force
◊ Taking personal risks to prevent or intervene in crime
◊ Guarantee to stop crime in City of Everett parks

**Volunteers look for:**

◊ Someone looking into windows of parked cars
◊ Property being taken or damaged
◊ Strangers sitting in cars or talking to children
◊ Young children playing unsupervised in the park
◊ Unusual noises
◊ Anyone being forced into a car
◊ People loitering in a dimly lit area
◊ Anyone yelling for help

**Volunteers should observe and report to 911:**

◊ Illegal & suspicious activity
◊ Criminal mischief
◊ Hazardous conditions
◊ ATVs and other off-road vehicles

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**Paw Tips**

Increase safety awareness
Be a good witness to crime
Report crime concerns to 911
Be safe not sorry!

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*For emergencies, call 911
Non-emergencies, call 425-407-3999*