



DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
86TH AIRLIFT WING (USAF)

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MEMORANDUM FOR ALL BASE HOUSING RESIDENTS

FROM: 86 AW/CC

SUBJECT: Neighborhood Watch Program

1. In the interest of ensuring our military family housing areas remain safe and thriving communities, and with an emphasis on child safety, we have implemented a Neighborhood Watch program. The neighborhood watch program is a community-wide effort; program participation is facilitated by the 86th Civil Engineering Group's Housing Office, volunteers are trained by our security forces squadrons, and the program is sustained by the leadership and volunteerism of our military community members. The intent of the program is to ensure the safety and security of our on-base housing by educating and empowering our base housing residents to deter crime while fulfilling a core expectation we all share as neighbors...looking out for each other.

2. To facilitate of our Neighborhood Watch program, base housing has been organized into large areas which are further divided into smaller blocks (reference attached map). Our goal is for each area to have an Area Coordinator and each block a Block Captain. These crucial volunteer positions will receive training from security forces and have the following responsibilities:


a. Area Coordinator Responsibilities:

- 1) Act as focal point for information exchange between wing leadership and Block Captains
- 2) Organize Block Captains to ensure coverage of entire area
- 3) Recruit replacement Block Captains as necessary
- 4) Encourage Block Captains to hold periodic meetings as necessary

b. Block Captain Responsibilities:

- 1) Pass on information received from Area Coordinator to neighborhood homes
- 2) Meet with neighbors as required and encourage participation in the program
- 3) Maintain and distribute neighborhood watch rosters and/or contact lists
- 4) Notify Area Coordinator if no longer able to perform Block Captain duties

3. A successful Neighborhood Watch program is based on three principles: know your neighbors, have an increased awareness for their safety, and report all suspicious activity to security forces. I strongly encourage each of you to do your part in sustaining our communities by volunteering a little of your time to this important effort. Please contact your respective Housing Office, Facilities Section at 489-7108 to sign up for one of these positions and receive training from the security forces personnel. Thank you for helping make your community a better place to live.


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Attachment:
Neighborhood Map