



INTERESTED IN STARTING A NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH?

Over the years, we have received a number of inquiries from Ladera Ranch residents interested in forming a "**Neighborhood Watch**" in their immediate neighborhood. The Neighborhood Watch program was established in 1972 by the National Sheriff's Association.

According to the Orange County Sheriff's Department (OCSD) Neighborhood Watch is one of the most effective and least costly ways to prevent crime and creates a partnership between law enforcement and the community. Members learn how to work with law enforcement and report suspicious activity.

Your LARMAC Board fully supports **Neighborhood Watch** and encourages residents interested in forming their own Neighborhood Watch group to contact Crime Prevention Specialist, Brittany Plano for more information and/or to schedule a Neighborhood Watch meeting. Brittany can be reached at (949) 206-6197, or by e-mail at bplano@ocsd.org.

To better assist residents interested in establishing **Neighborhood Watch**, the LARMAC Board has revised and enhanced its "Neighborhood Watch Program Establishment" policy. This appears in full on the reverse of this page, but key enhancements include:

- LARMAC will now bear the cost of installing Neighborhood Watch signs purchased by the neighborhood this cost was previously borne by residents.
- LARMAC will provide a clubhouse at no cost for Neighborhood Watch meetings based on availability.

For further information, please contact us by email at: contact.LARMAC@LaderaLife.com.

The LARMAC Board would like to remind all residents that the patrol service firm contracted by LARMAC is solely responsible for providing patrol services for LARMAC-owned properties, including LARMAC parks, trails, pools and clubhouses. LARMAC contracted private patrol does not provide security services for homeowners, their property, or County streets in Ladera Ranch.

Neighborhood Watch Program Establishment Policy

The following steps are for residents wishing to establish a Neighborhood Watch Program in their neighborhood:

- 1. Talk to your neighbors about Neighborhood Watch and encourage them to be part of their neighborhood network.
- 2. Contact the Ladera Ranch team by email at contact.LARMAC@LaderaLife.com to secure a clubhouse (subject to availability) at no cost to hold your Neighborhood Watch meetings.
- 3. Contact LARMAC to help you determine the best locations for your Neighborhood Watch signs. Where possible, signs will be attached to existing poles. Please note, signs must not be erected or displayed without the prior written approval of LARMAC.
- 4. Upon approval of sign placement, LARMAC Staff will install your Neighborhood Watch signs at no cost to you. Your neighborhood is responsible for maintaining the signs.
- 5. You can order your Neighborhood Watch signs from the National Neighborhood Watch Institute via phone (888) 669-4872 or their website: https://www.nnwi.org/product/blsm-reflective-boris-the-burglar-law-enforcement-medium-aluminum-sign/

Approved sign details:

- MLSM Boris the Burglar, LEA Medium
- Aluminum Sign, Size 12 in. x 18 in.
- Cost per sign is **currently** \$33.25 incl. tax and shipping



Thank you for your interest in Neighborhood Watch and in keeping Ladera Ranch a safe and secure community!