NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

SHERIFF JOSEPH J. ROYBAL



TIPS AND RESOURCES

CRIME PREVENTION

The El Paso County Sheriff's Office is committed to helping out citizens keep themselves, their families, and their communities safe from crime, the fear of crime, and neighborhood decay. Working collaboratively with other local law enforcement officials, we help establish networking systems, provide educational materials, programs, training, and safety tutorials to promote proactive crime prevention in our community. Through an active Community Oriented Policing philosophy, we believe that individual citizens should be empowered to work with law enforcement to help keep themselves safe. A number of programs we offer will provide tools that you can use to learn crime prevention strategies, engage other community members, and coordinate with local law enforcement to aid in crime prevention.

GET INVOLVED

The Sheriff's Office offers several classes and services to the public regarding safety and security. Classes include, but are not limited to:

- Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED)
- Gangs and Graffiti
- Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC)
- Protecting Senior Citizens from Fraud and Scams

For a complete listing of classes offered or to schedule a class, contact the Crime Prevention Coordinator at 719-520-7151 or e-mail at NeighborhoodWatch@elpasoco.com.

The EPSO Volunteer Program is comprised of a collective group of citizens with a true and common desire to partner with law enforcement. Citizens volunteering with EPSO assist in many different exciting capacities. For more information contact he Volunteer Coordinator at 719-520-7216.

Participating in a patrol ride-along gives citizens a first hand look at what our deputies do on a daily basis. The Sheriff's Office also offers a five week Citizens' Academy during which citizens get a comprehensive view of operations of the agency.

For more information visit: epcsheriffsoffice.com

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS



El Paso County Sheriff's Office (non-emergency Dispatch number)
(719) 390-5555

epcsheriffsoffice.com

The El Paso County Sheriff's Office Communications Center Dispatches for the following law enforcement agencies:

Monument Police Department, Palmer Lake Police Department, Calhan Police Department, Manitou Police Department, Fountain Police Department, and Green Mountain Falls Marshal.

In addition, the EPSO Communications Center dispatches for all fire departments in unincorporated El Paso County.



Colorado Springs Police Department (non-emergency Dispatch number) (719) 444-7000

coloradosprings.gov/police-department



Colorado State Patrol (non-emergency Dispatch number) (719) 544-2424

csp.state.co.us



Colorado Department of Transportation (Road Conditions)

(877) 315-7623

cotrip.org



El Paso County Department of Transportation (719) 520-6460

Emergency 9-1-1

CRIME PREVENTION TIPS

CHILD SAFETY

- Advise your children never to give out personal information to strangers and they should tell you immediately if someone asks.
- Any time a situation has made a child uncomfortable they should tell a parent immediately.
- Share a secret code work with children. If for any reason another adult advises your child to go with him/her, if the code word is not used, tell your child to run away from the stranger and tell you immediately.
- Make sure your child know how and when to use 9-1-1.

HOME SAFETY

- Place a metal or wooden rod in the track of sliding glass windows and doors.
- Use secure locks on windows and doors.
- Have sufficient lighting at all entrances.
- · Make sure you know who is at the door before opening it.
- Close and lock all windows and doors when you are not home.
- Do not hide keys. Have a trusted person keep a spare.
- If you install a security system make sure you are aware of the company's response policy.
- Do not give out security passwords. Change the password appropriately.

VEHICLE SAFETY

- Keep your car in good working condition.
- Do not pick up hitchhikers.
- Always lock your car door even if you only away from the vehicle for a few minutes.
- Park in well lit areas.
- Check the back seat when entering the vehicle.
- If your car breaks down, put on your emergency flashers. Be wary of accepting rides from strangers.
- Do not leave valuables or handguns in your vehicle.

PERSONAL SAFETY

- When walking, stay in well-lit areas, avoid bushes, alleys, etc.
- Be aware of your surroundings. Look around to see if people are around.
- If you carry a purse, hold it tight to the body. Make sure it is closed.

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