Community Watch Committee Update



April 17, 2018





Community Watch Committee Mission:

 Develop a sense of community spirit by promoting neighborhood safety and support through programs and activities in cooperation with the City of Farmers Branch.

Goal:

 Promote, organize, and maintain Community Watch Neighborhoods.

Motto: "Neighbors helping Neighbors"



Aligning with the City Council's Guiding Principles

- All committee members strive to act with ethics
 & integrity in word and in deed
- Community Watch is open and accessible to all Farmers Branch residents and businesses
- Promoting Public Safety is the foundation of the Community Watch Program
 - Encouraging neighbors to look out for one another and collectively address neighborhood issues



What we are working on:

- Continual promotion of Community Watch at city events
- Creating a social media presence
- Organizing and updating the existing block captain list
- Encouraging Community Watch
 Neighborhoods to host a "get together" in addition to the National Night Out parties



Accomplishments:

- Created a Facebook Community Watch
 - 704 members as of April 4, 2018
- Held a citizen forum during the July 24, 2017 Community Watch Meeting
 - Current and prospective block captains, and any interested residents, were invited and the Police Department briefing room was at capacity
- Attended city events to promote Community Watch
 - Polar Plunge, Police Department Open House,
 Farmers Market, and the Craft Fair



Thank you:

- To all the Community Watch Members for their service
- To Hugh Pender and all of Code Enforcement
 - Code Enforcement attends all the CWC meetings to give updates and answer questions. They also attend community watch block parties.
- To the City Council Members for keeping public safety and community engagement a priority



Comments, Suggestions, and/or Questions?

