

WEBER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE		POLICY AND PROCEDURES	
SUBJECT: C.O.P. Groups and Programs		CHAPTER/SECTION NO.: 32.2	
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32.2 Policy

32.2.1 The C.O.P. unit is responsible for promoting crime prevention programs and assisting in the organization of crime prevention groups. Some of the specific programs for Sheriff's Office involvement are described in the paragraphs of this section. Involvement in these programs may result from a request to the Sheriff's Office or because the area or activity has been designated by the Sheriff's Office as a crime prevention target.

A. Neighborhood Watch will be the nucleus around which residential neighborhood crime prevention groups are organized.

1. The C.O.P. unit is to provide assistance to neighborhood residents in forming Neighborhood Watch organizations.

2. After a Neighborhood Watch organization has been formed, the C.O.P. unit in conjunction with the Operations Bureau will be responsible for providing ongoing assistance and support to the organization.

B. The C.O.P. unit will make arrangements for presentations on female/citizen street safety, specifically rape prevention, as needed or upon request.

C. Neighborhood Watch programs may include businesses, depending on the community, which

will be overseen by the C.O.P. unit and provides businesses with needed information and services such as but not limited to the following:

1. Retail businesses selling beer and cigarettes may be provided with assistance as needed, in developing and using techniques to prevent sales to underage or visibly intoxicated persons.
 2. Assistance may be provided as needed, to retail businesses on techniques in the detection and apprehension of shoplifters.
 3. Presentations concerning robberies may be made as needed, to banks and retail businesses. These programs should include information on how to make the facility less attractive to robbery, how to act during a robbery, and how to report after a robbery.
- D. Presentations concerning the elderly may be made to older citizens, and those who provide care for them, as to how crime may specifically impact the group, which special laws apply, and how crime prevention measures can be utilized.
- E. Security surveys may be conducted for residences and businesses either on request or when circumstances indicate that type of survey is desirable and the owner agrees to the survey.
- F. Employees of the Sheriff's Office will make themselves available to citizens, businesses, or groups to provide information on crime prevention and the status of crime in the community.