

**You CAN help prevent  
crime in Your  
Community!**

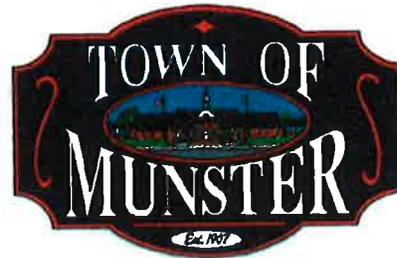


**For more information about  
fighting crime contact:**

National Organizations

The National Crime  
Prevention Council  
1700 K Street NW, 2nd Floor  
Washington, DC 20006-3817  
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The National Organization for  
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# Crime Prevention



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## How to Protect Your Home and Yourself



### INSIDE

- Install deadbolt locks on doors.
- Make sure the hinges are sturdy.
- Use window locks.
- Place a piece of wood along the inside of the window track.

### OUTSIDE

- Keep all outside areas of house well lit.
- Install motion detection lighting.
- Never hide spare house keys outside!

### VALUABLES

- Keep all valuables in a safe-deposit box or in a safe hiding place.

### WHILE YOU ARE AWAY

- Don't let callers know you are going to be gone or away on vacation on the answering machine.
- Keep all personal items close by.
- Don't carry a lot of cash.
- Don't wear flashy jewelry.

## WHEN YOU RETURN HOME

- Have your key in your hand as you walk to your door.
- If you feel that someone IS or WAS inside the house, STOP and call the Munster Police Department. DO NOT go inside alone.



## INITIATE A NEIGHBORHOOD CRIME WATCH PROGRAM

- Develop and share crime prevention tips.
- Contact your local police department for available information.

### **BE ALERT**

at home and away.

### **BE AWARE**

of The Munster Police Department and their Crime Prevention Programs.

### **BE INVOLVED**

by helping prevent crime in your community and by reporting all suspicious activity and all crimes to the Munster Police Department.

## Keep Your Community Drug Free

-Don't do drugs. They are very addictive and can lead to crime or job loss.

-Don't associate with people that are drug users. You may be falsely accused of using drugs or pressured into trying them.

-Live by example for the kids in your community. Organize a sports team or a block party.

-Encourage neighborhood awareness. Volunteer to be a block captain or start a watch program.

-Support local drug treatment programs.

-Report any suspicious drug activity in your area to the Munster Police Department.

