

Milolii Beach Lot Neighborhood Watch News

Neighborhood Watch is one of the oldest and most well-known crime prevention programs in history. The roots of Neighborhood Watch can actually be traced all the way back to the days of Colonial settlements, when night watchmen patrolled the streets.

Neighborhood Watch is based on the premise that the role of watch groups is only to serve as the eyes and ears of law enforcement. We encourage individual groups to work directly with their local law enforcement agencies. At no time, do we advocate any intervention actions by any watch group or individual.

SEE SOMETHING....SAY SOMETHING!

Over the years citizen policing programs have been associated with a “significant reduction in crime”. On average, there was a 16% decrease in crime in Neighborhood Watch communities nationally when compared with control areas. On the Big Island we have seen an increase in crime, especially in smaller rural communities.

Property Crime: 154% of the national average
Burglary: 194% of the national average
Larceny: 204% of the national average
Rape: 162% of the national average

As expected Robbery, Assault, Murder & Auto Theft are all below the national average.

Drugs

There are many reasons for these increases, but as has been seen in the majority of cases, ICE or Methamphetamine has been the cause, and per capita, Hawaii has the highest population of ice users in the nation. (Watch for drug deals taking place on your street, take a video with your cell phone if possible and write down any identifying features of the individuals and their vehicles.)

Thanks for taking the time to read about our group. If you are interested in joining us, please contact me at the number below. Please stay alert and report anything suspicious to the following community policing officer or to one of the other contacts listed below. Don't be afraid to ask any questions you may have.

Police: 911 for Emergency, Crime or Fire. 935-3311 (non-emergency day or night)

Community Policing Office: 326-4646

Milolii Association Mgrs: Merle & Angie Bowman 315-5713

Please contact the [Association Manager](#) if you wish to participate. The Board is currently reorganizing Neighborhood Watch.