



*The mission of the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office Crime Prevention Unit is to help reduce crime in business and residential communities by working together in partnership and through various proactive strategies, techniques, and programs.*

## **EMERGENCY - DIAL 911**

### **Non-Emergency Numbers:**

South County (561) 995-2800

North County (561) 688-3000

West County (561) 996-1670

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## **Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office**



# *Fleet* **CRIME WATCH**



## *Join Fleet Crime Watch*

If you are interested in joining the Fleet Crime Watch program, or would like more information, please contact the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office Community Services Unit at 561-688-3970.

Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office  
Ric L. Bradshaw, Sheriff

Dear Friends:



Since 1909, the deputies of Palm Beach County have always provided a safe environment for the people who live, work and visit Palm Beach County. The Sheriff's Office is committed to improving awareness, and sharing the fundamentals of crime prevention in order to ensure our community is safe and secure.

The goal of crime prevention is to reduce the risk of becoming a victim. In order to accomplish this effectively, it is important to remove opportunities for a criminal to take advantage of you and your property. You are attempting to prevent either victimization or criminalization by presenting an unattractive target to the criminal. This can be as complex as installing a high tech alarm system and lighting to something as simple as locking your doors.

Crime prevention is using instinct, common sense, and taking action to eliminate or greatly reduce the criminal's opportunity. We all have a personal part to play regarding crime prevention. A large share of the responsibility of reducing criminal opportunity lies with you.

Thank you for working with us to make Palm Beach County a safer place for all its citizens.

Sincerely,

Ric Bradshaw, Sheriff  
Palm Beach County

What is...

# Fleet CRIME WATCH



## Guidelines to Follow

The goal of Fleet Watch is to increase the eyes and ears in our community to better detect criminal activity. This is done by organizing employees who drive vehicles throughout Palm Beach County during their normal work routine. Several examples of this would include tow truck, utility, phone, delivery, and maintenance company drivers. The police cannot be everywhere all the time, so we rely on citizens to assist us in a variety of ways.

Community crime prevention programs work, and Fleet Watch is one of the most effective and inexpensive ways to prevent crime in Palm Beach County. The Fleet Watch program helps to reduce all types of crime and improves the relationship between PBSO and the business community.

The Fleet Watch program not only enables drivers to quickly notify the police with reports of criminal activity in progress, but PBSO also provides participants with crime alerts for known suspects, vehicles, or specific crimes.

Fleet Watch drivers are not expected, nor are they encouraged, to physically intervene in a situation that they might observe. Drivers should use their two-way radio (if applicable) or cell phone to quickly call police and report the suspicious activity or incident.

### What is suspicious?

- Anything that seems out of place or is occurring at an unusual time of day
- Persons entering or leaving a business establishment after hours
- Sounds of breaking glass or screaming
- Persons walking through yards of residential areas or seeming out of place
- Persons loitering around schools, parks, or secluded areas
- Parked vehicles that are occupied at unusual locations or unusual times

### Fleet Watch drivers are also encouraged to report:

- Motor vehicle accidents
- Reckless drivers/drunk drivers
- Hazardous situations

## How to Report Suspicious Activity

When Fleet Watch members call the police, remember to give your name and to identify yourself as a member of Fleet Watch. Give the dispatcher all of the information that you have gathered, which may include:

- Type of incident
- Location
- Time of incident
- Any suspect, suspect vehicle and direction of travel description, if applicable
- Victim information
- Any injuries, if applicable

Be prepared to answer any questions to assist the dispatcher.

**Emergency: Call 9-1-1**

**Non-Emergency: Call 561-688-3400**

