## Why Form this Partnership?

The Business Partnership Program (BPP) asks everyone in businesses to be the eyes and ears of local law enforcement agency. In turn, your Sheriff's Office can better serve your business community by having instant access to your contact information.

For more information on this program and how to join Business Partnership Program, contact the Crime Prevention Unit at <u>(561) 688-3970</u>.

Or log on to: www.pbso.org



### **Business Security Tips:**

**Locks** - All outside entrances and inside security doors should be double cylinder deadbolts with moveable collars that are recessed in the door.

**Windows** should have secure locks or burglar-resistant glass.

**Lights** - The entire perimeter should be well lit, especially around doors and other entry points.

Alarm system should be supplied by a licensed alarm company with a central monitoring station and registered with the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office Alarm Unit. Check the system on a regular basis and advertise its presence to deter break-ins.

**Cash register** should be kept in plain view from outside the building so it can be easily monitored and should be left open when empty.

### Convenience Store State Statutes Requirements:

- Drop safe that weighs at least 500 pounds.
- Lighted parking lot.
- \$50 or less notice on the front door.
- Height markers on the front door frame.
- Unobstructed view of all sale transactions.
- Security alarm and Panic alarm.
- Recordable camera system.

For more information about security requirements for convenience stores, call 561-688-3970 or email us at crimeprevention@pbso.org.

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# **Business Partnership Program**

### Dear Business Owner/Manager,

The goal of the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office is to inform business owners, managers and employees of the vulnerability of the crimes that could occur in their workplace, to themselves, or to their patrons.

The Business Partnership Program is a unique program designed for businesses to establish a formal network of communication between businesses in a specific area or industry, their employees and the Sheriff's Office regarding crime related problems.

Business Partnership Program provides a vehicle for crime prevention specialists to educate and guide business owners and employees in the following areas:

- Crime Reporting
- Operation Identification
- Robbery Prevention/Awareness
- Burglary Prevention
- Personal Safety and Self-Protection
- Email Alerts
- CrimeReports.com
- Trespass Sign Program -OAN (Owner Applied Number)



### **Benefits for Businesses**

- Faster response to emergencies
- Email alerts of crimes related to your business type
- Access to PBSO crime prevention deputies to share and distribute information about suspicious incidents that have occurred in your business

### **Benefits for Law Enforcement**

- Business locator
- Business mapping
- Information block about business
- Picture of trespassed person
- Create reports for administrative users
- Search by person, trespass affidavit, business name, address
- Tool for detectives to track repeat offenders
- Trespass affidavit on-line
- Trespass warning on-line

#### Dear Friends:

Since 1909, the deputies of Palm Beach County have provided a safe environment for thousands of 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,

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Ric L. Bradshaw, Sheriff Palm Beach County