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Our Community:

- Carver
- Newtowne West
- Museum
- Scott's Addition
- Northern Barton Heights
- Brookland Park
- Edgewood
- Ginter Park
- Washington Park
- John Marshall
- Shenwood Park
- Bellevue
- Laburnum Park
- Rosedale
- Chamberlayne - Industrial Center
- Virginia Union



Hi everyone,

Here's our monthly news letter. Our Sector is still a great place to live and work.

Nextdoor is an excellent way for all of us to communicate and discuss the issues that impact our Sector. It also gives me the understanding of the needs of the neighborhoods. I can then present strategies for you all at the community meetings. Always feel free to ask questions or point out concerns with your neighbors or by using Nextdoor. I recently posted a message on nextdoor to all the neighborhoods in the sector. The message stated if you plan on going out of town for an extended amount of time please stop by the precinct, call the precinct, or fill out a Vacation Watch Rorm online and email it to the precinct. This will be given to the patrol unit so they can keep an eye on your residence while you are out of town. The form will give the officers the days that you'll be gone and any additional information needed to conduct the house watch.

Did you know you can share your videos on Nextdoor? If your security camera catches any suspicious behavior or activity you can post that video on nextdoor. Maybe your neighbors or people in other neighborhoods can identify any individuals in the videos that are related to crimes in the area.

There is also an app called Neighbors app. This application posts videos from the Ring door security system. You can get videos from up to five miles from your residence, and it's free to use. The more information that is shared the better for everyone.

For those of you that are planning on celebrating during the upcoming St. Patrick's day weekend please be careful and have a plan to get home if you plan on celebrating. Please don't drink and drive and if you're going to be out late make sure you leave some lights on in you home. Lock all your doors and be mindful of your neighbors' property too. Report any suspicious activity to the police. Remember to remove all valuables from your vehicles and to **lock** the doors. **Never leave your vehicle unattended and running.** Sector 412 had 12 vehicles stolen in the last 28days and 90 percent were running and unattended. **Don't be a victim** and be aware of your surroundings. Make sure to keep your homes and your vehicles **locked** and secured. Place all items that will be left in you vehicle in your trunk area and out of plain view. **Remember, don't be a victim.** We can all do this together.

Please see below information about the upcoming Spring Citizen's Police Academy Forum. It's coming up next month and you can get an application for the academy at the meeting. I also added some information about possible scams that happen during this time of year.

We are excited to announce our 2019 Spring Citizen's Police Academy Forum! Come learn with us on March 14, 2019 from 6 to 8 p.m. Applications are available here: <http://www.richmondgov.com/police/documents/CitizensAcademyApplicationNew.pdf> Questions? Please contact us at [RPDCares@richmondgov.com](mailto:RPDCares@richmondgov.com) We hope to see you soon!



Hi Neighbors,

Every tax season, we receive reports of scammers attempting to impersonate IRS employees. Our elderly community members are typically the most vulnerable to these types of scams. Please take the time to warn your older family members, neighbors, and friends.

Watch this short video to learn how to spot scammers:

<https://youtu.be/i4nCy6Xs6R8>

It's important to remember the IRS will not:

- Call you to demand immediate payment. The IRS will not call you if you owe taxes without first sending you a bill in the mail.
  - Demand that you pay taxes and not allow you to question or appeal the amount you owe.
  - Require that you pay your taxes a certain way. For instance, require that you pay with a prepaid debit card.
  - Ask for your credit or debit card numbers over the phone.
  - Threaten to bring in police or other agencies to arrest you for not paying.

Best advice when you or someone you know receives a suspicious call claiming to be the IRS is to HANG UP.

We also have an exciting announcement! Fourth Precinct won Precinct of the Year for the third year in a row!!! Precinct of the Year is awarded to the precinct that had the lowest percentage of crime for the year. The officers of Fourth Precinct worked very hard and the detectives were amazing. This combined effort is to lower the crime in your neighborhoods. I also would like to thank all of you. We needed everyone's involvement to accomplish this. We appreciate you all attending meetings, posting on Nextdoor and giving us details on the issues you face in your neighborhoods. It greatly help us achieve our goals for the year. I thank you all for your time and I'll be sending out a newsletter next month. Let's all stay focused and let's stay safe.

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When neighbors start talking, good things happen.



Get neighborhood specific updates about crime and arrests from Richmond Police



Share recommendations about local services (e.g. babysitters, plumbers)



Organize neighborhood events (e.g. HOA, neighborhood watch, National Night Out)



Get to know your fellow neighbors so you can finally call them by name



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