

Columbia Neighborhood Watch's ANNUAL REPORT 2019

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Mission Statement

The mission of Columbia Neighborhood Watch is to inform, train and encourage residents to work together to establish neighborhood watch programs with the goal of reducing crime."

Dear Friends,

One of the joys of preparing an annual report is that it gives us a chance to look back and to be thankful for all that has been accomplished. The past year was filled with both opportunities and challenges. Some highlights were:

- **Update Captains list** - Completed, but is an ongoing task
- **Continue to improve the Training Power Point** - We have updated the Power Point in August 2019 and will continue to update as needed.
- **6 Training sessions** - have conducted Six trainings. Five were open to the general public and one was closed onsite trainings. These trainings resulted in 145 new members and 14 new Captains.
- **Attend at least one public event.**
 1. We had an information booth at the Home Show and Senior Fair.
 2. We attended several public events held by the CPD
 3. We participated in Columbia's National Night Out
- **"Speakers Group" to talk to Clubs and Organizations** - We have given talks to several Clubs and Neighborhood associations.
- **Work on getting together the information so we may apply for grants** - Being done. We currently have 1 monetary grant and 3 in-kind grants. We have applied for 2 additional monetary grants and are awaiting results.

- **Send Thank You to new Captains/ Co-Captains** - Being done, in addition we thank all Captains and Co-Captains each year through our Newsletter.
- **Send Newsletter Quarterly** - Being Done
- **Reach out to City Council Members to attend and reach out to their constituents to attend Watch Trainings.** Doing - Have had 2 Council Members attend trainings held in their Ward.

In addition to these goals the Board addressed several other items.

1. Our Budget.
 - A. As everyone knows we rely on donations which have not been coming in. The City of Columbia is giving us a \$5000 grant
 - B. We earned Better Business Bureau accreditation and the Silver Seal of Transparency from Guide Star.
 - C. Board member donated their time to the tune of 1336.75 hours which calculates our to \$32,950.88 of in-kind service to Columbia Neighborhood Watch.
 - D. We are continuing with the Email Service
 - a) Has allowed us to contact All of our members.
 - b) Helped us to keep our membership Roster up to date. (We have found the residents are very mobile and a number of members have moved out of Columbia.)

The following is an overview of COLUMBIA NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH's income and expenses for the fiscal year that ended September 30, 2018:

City of Columbia grant	\$	5,000.00
Amazon Smile	\$	36.14
CoMoGives Fundraiser	\$	-
Public donations	\$	312.11
Misc - interest, etc	\$	5.11
Total revenues and support	\$	5,353.36

Expenses

Signs & Brackets	\$	-
Promotional Items	\$	590.97
Member Booklets & copying	\$	937.74
Email services	\$	340.10
Website & Social Media	\$	771.77
Public Relations	\$	765.97
Total Program Service Expenses	\$	3,406.55
Management & general expenses	\$	980.78
Fundraising expenses	\$	350.00
Total expenses	\$	4,737.33
Net assets at end of year	\$	616.03
Beginning balance	\$	3,052.23
Ending balance	\$	3,668.26

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