

## Columbia Neighborhood Watch's ANNUAL REPORT 2024

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### Vision:

Make Columbia the safest city in Missouri

### 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 and increasing public safety.

### Some highlights were:

**Area Coordinators, Captains, & Co-Captains** – Developing programs to expand knowledge and enhance work effort

**Continue to improve the Training Power Point** - Updated prior to each training session.

**Conduct a minimum of 6 training sessions** –We have completed 6 in-person training sessions through August, which has resulted in 96 new members.

**Participate in at least one public event** - We have attended several neighborhoods on National Night Out and will be attending the Ready Festival on Sept 12<sup>th</sup>.

**Apply for grants** - Being done. We have applied for 20 grants. We won 3 in-kind grants worth over \$10,000. We are waiting for answers back on 5 grant requests.

**Send Thank You to new Captains/ Co-Captains** - Being done, we thank all Captains and Co-Captains each year through our Newsletter. In addition, we have 2 board members that are assigned as Captain Liaisons.

**Send Newsletter Quarterly** – Sent in December, March, June, & September

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

1. Our Budget.
  - A. The Columbia Police Department has given us a “Purchase of Service Contract”.
  - B. We continue to earn the **Better Business Bureau accreditation** and have been awarded the **Torch Award**. In addition, we have the **Gold Seal of Transparency from Guide Star** and have earned **accreditation by Charity Navigator**.
  - C. Board members have donated their time to the tune of over **2526** hours, to date, which calculates out to **\$84,595.74** of in-kind service to Columbia Neighborhood Watch. (Federal standard of \$33.49/hour).
  - D. We are continuing with the Constant Contact Email Service
    - a) It has allowed us to maintain contact with all our members.
    - b) It has helped us to keep our membership Roster up to date. (Columbia residents are very mobile and members have moved out of Columbia.)

Revenues	
Business Contributions	\$ 500.00
In Kind Donations	\$ 9,708.71
Public donations	\$ 450.00
Misc - interest, etc	\$ 23.77
Gerbes	\$ 102.65
City of Columbia	\$5,000
Total revenues and support	\$ 15,785.13
Reserves funds	\$ 3,000.00
Expenses	
Signs & Brackets	\$ -
Promotional Items	\$ 1,164.27
copying	\$ 200.00
Email services	\$ 364.50
Website & Social Media	\$ 520.17
Insurance & general expenses	\$ 1,868.00
Computers & Software	\$ 679.98
Registratio Fees	\$ 10.45
Training Booklets	\$ 1,875.00
Board Shirts	\$ 185.20
Advertising	\$ 100.00
Merchant fees	\$ 18.47
Fees	\$ 11.25
Mail & postage	\$ 384.16
Other	\$ 96.95
Mail Service box	\$ 468.00
Fundraising expenses	\$ 175.00
Total expenses	\$ 8,121.40
Net assets at end of year	
Beginning balance	\$ 483.72
Ending balance	\$ 10,663.73
Minus in Kind	\$ 9,708.71
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### Board of Directors

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