



Prevent Residential Burglaries

*Minutes lost hunting for the correct address can be costly.
Have your house numbers clearly mounted on a high
contrast background and make sure the numbers can be
easily read from the street at night.*

Request a Security Survey

Call the Neighborhood Services Division at 986-2715 to request a Security Survey of your property. A date and time will be selected and any questions you have will be addressed.

Note: The property owner must be present during the survey.

A security survey of your home or business is provided free of charge by the Oakland Police Department. An OPD representative will survey your property and make written recommendations based on two principles that work together:

- **Target Hardening** – Making your home more secure by reinforcing any weak areas.
- **Crime Prevention through Environmental Design (CPTED)** – CPTED is an approach to crime prevention based on property design and the effective use of the built environment to reduce crime.

Join a Neighborhood Watch Group

Neighborhood Watch is a partnership between neighbors and the Oakland Police Department to improve safety and prevent crime. Forming a Neighborhood Watch group on your block is the first step to making and keeping your neighborhood safe.

The Neighborhood Watch page has lots of great information:

<http://www2.oaklandnet.com/Government/o/OPD/s/NSD/s/NW/DOWD001097>

Read More About How to Protect Your Home

Other useful information can also be found on the Internet:

- *Invest in Your Safety NOW! Home Security*
<http://oaklandnet.oakland.local/oak/groups/police/documents/webcontent/dowd004209.pdf>
- *Preventing Burglaries – How to Protect Your Home*
<http://oaklandnet.oakland.local/oak/groups/police/documents/webcontent/dowd004210.pdf>