



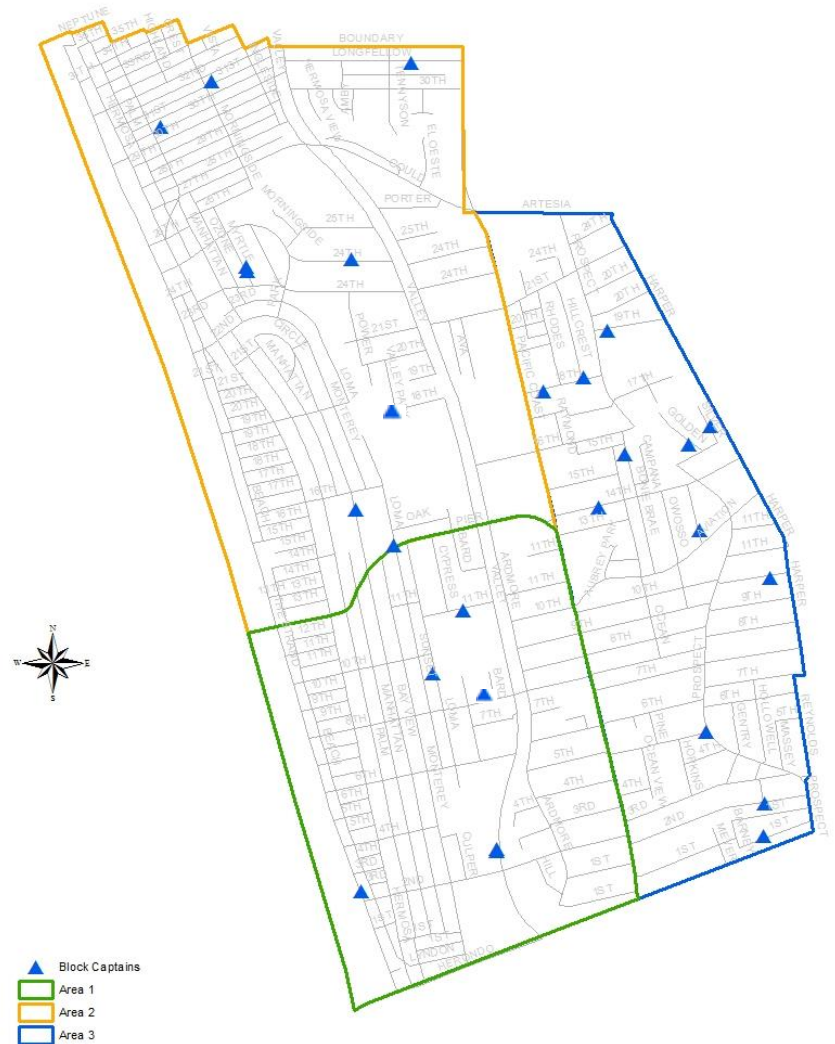
HERMOSA BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

HELP US PAINT THE TOWN BLUE! The National Crime Prevention Council designated October as Crime Prevention Month. Police and community partnerships are a great way to reduce and prevent crime in neighborhoods. These partnerships are best formed through Neighborhood Watch programs.

Each **blue triangle** on the map represents a **Hermosa Beach Police Department Neighborhood Watch Block Captain**. In recognition of Crime Prevention Month, we're reaching out to the community and actively recruiting Neighborhood Watch Block Captains. Neighborhood Watch groups are the eyes and ears of the police department. Participants in the program are the key to success. Without a neighbor willing to report suspicious activity, crime can occur undetected.

Help us fill the map with blue triangles! Sign up today to be a Neighborhood Watch Block Captain and start a watch group in your neighborhood. Together we can help fight crime, one block at a time. For questions regarding the program, please contact Peter Ahlstrom at pahlstrom@hermosapolice.org.





Hermosa Beach Police Department Neighborhood Watch Program

The Hermosa Beach Police Department is seeking Neighborhood Watch Block Captains. Neighborhood Watch is a crime prevention program which enlists the active participation of residents in cooperation with law enforcement to reduce crime in their communities. Neighborhood Watch involves neighbors getting to know each other and working together in a program of mutual assistance; residents trained to recognize and report suspicious activity in their neighborhoods - essentially, neighbors looking out for each other!

Why Neighborhood Watch:

The Neighborhood Watch program fights the isolation and separation that crime creates and feeds upon. It forges bonds among residents and business owners, and helps reduce crimes such as robberies and burglaries, and improves relationships between police and the community they serve.

Block Captain Basic Requirements:

1. Hermosa Beach resident
2. 18-years of age or older
3. No felony convictions (verified through Live Scan fingerprinting)
4. Participate in bi-annual Neighborhood Watch meetings
5. Willingness to get to know your neighbors

Volunteer Block Captains are the liaisons between the neighbors on their blocks and the Police Department. Weekly Crime Logs and crime prevention tips/materials are distributed to all Block Captains. Block Captains share this important information with everyone on their block.

Hermosa Beach Neighborhood Watch

Police and neighborhoods joining forces to HELP fight crime, one block at a time!

If you are interested in becoming a Hermosa Beach Neighborhood Watch Block Captain, please complete an application today. For questions regarding the program, please contact Peter Ahlstrom, at pahlstrom@hermosapolice.org.



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NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH BLOCK CAPTAIN APPLICATION

NAME _____
 First **Full Middle Name** **Last**

DATE OF BIRTH _____

CURRENT ADDRESS _____

CALIFORNIA DRIVERS LICENSE NUMBER _____

PRIMARY TELEPHONE _____

WORK TELEPHONE _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS _____
(If applicable)

To ensure the integrity of all potential Block Captains and the overall Neighborhood Watch Program, a Criminal History Check and a Warrant Check is conducted on all Block Captain Applicants. The personal information obtained about the applicant is kept strictly confidential and secure.

Please read and sign the waiver below:

I, _____, hereby allow the Hermosa Beach Police Department to conduct a Criminal History Check, and a full Warrant Check for the purposes of insuring the integrity of the Neighborhood Watch Program.

Sign Full Name _____ Date _____

Background processing appointments are available Tuesday through Saturday between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. To make an appointment, please contact PSO Supervisor Starla Smith at ssmith@hermosapolicy.org Please take your completed application and valid Drivers License with you to:

**Hermosa Beach Police Department
Main Lobby
540 Pier Ave, Hermosa Beach, CA 90254**

Questions regarding the Hermosa Beach Police Department Neighborhood Watch Program may be directed to Peter Ahlstrom at 310-318-0224, or pahlstrom@hermosapolicy.org