

Neighbourhood Watch

June 2019 Bulletin

Join Us for our Annual Neighbour's Night Out!



Date: Tuesday, June 25th, 2019

Time: 6:30pm-9:00pm

Location: Frank McKechnie Community Centre (South parking lot).
The event will move indoors if there is inclement weather.

About: Join us for our 11th annual community event! Neighbours Night Out is targeted to all ages and is an opportunity to connect you to your neighbours, local businesses, community agencies, and law enforcement. Swing by, there is fun for the whole family to enjoy!

What you can expect:

Free Food (halal & vegetarian) | Live entertainment | Bouncy Castle | Fire Truck | Face Painting | Community Booths | Super heroes | Giveaways | and more!



For more info: <http://safecitymississauga.on.ca/neighbours-night-out-2019/>

Keep Your Home Safe While You're Away

Have you been thinking about a vacation to escape our rainy "summer"? We don't blame you. Over the May long weekend, Peel Region saw a noticeable increase in home break-ins. Why? Because homes were empty - This is a prime time for potential criminals to act. Before you get too excited about your next weekend getaway or summer holiday, consider the following tips to **make your home appear "lived in"**. As you'll notice, a relationship with your neighbour is an important element!



Things to ask your neighbour to help with:

- Collect mail and any newspapers on doorstep
- Maintain the yard (ex. mow the lawn, water plants, shovel in winter)
- Request that they park in your driveway
- Take out/bring in your waste bins on collection day



Check out Peel Regional Police's Home Security Challenge!

Things you can do on your own:

- Set automatic timers on lights in and around your home. A good lighting system is a cost-efficient and effective crime prevention strategy
- Invest in stronger locks or alarm and security system

Avoid:

- Broadcasting your plans and family vacation photos on social media (*don't forget to educate your kids on this as well*). We suggest waiting until you're home to do that. Sharing when and how long you're gone informs perpetrators exactly when to strike.

