Cleveland Heights Police
DOG WALKER WATCH TIP SHEET

WHAT IS DOG WALKER WATCH?

According to the Humane Society of the United States and the ASPCA, there are over seventy five million dog owners across the nation. That's dozens, if not hundreds, of neighbors walking their dog throughout the community at all times of the day, all days of the week, in all weather conditions, who are often preoccupied with texting, chatting, emailing and listening to music. Dog Walker Watch encourages these neighbors to assist local law enforcement as extra eyes and ears while out walking their dog. The program enhances the partnership between police and community while providing resources for neighbors to be more aware and how to effectively observe and report suspicious activity.

When you're walking your dog, be alert for:

- Always remain alert and vigilant to your surroundings
- Open doors or windows on vacant houses
- The sound of glass breaking or loud noises, like pounding
- The sound of someone screaming
- Someone running from a home or a car
- Vehicles moving slowly down the street, or driving without their lights on
- People removing packages from front porches and walking away from the residence
- People looking into windows of houses or parked cars
- Do not engage the individual or in the situation. Notify police immediately.

Be a good neighbor and a Crime Spotter: Call Cleveland Heights Police at 216-321-1234 or 911 when you see or hear something that may be suspicious!

Crime Prevention Tips for your Neighborhood:

- Talk to your neighbors and get to know them
- Light it up! Have outside lights in your driveway and by your doors and leave them on at night
- Keep your blinds closed at night and when you are not home
- Consider video cameras for the outside and inside of your house and property
- Share information with your neighbors on community social media websites
- Let police know if you will be out-of-town so we can do special attention checks
- Don't hesitate to call police! We are residents, too, and we want to keep everyone safe.