

ONTARIO COMMUNITY WATCH ASSOCIATION

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Progress Update

The newly formed Board of Directors of the Ontario Community Watch Association 'OCWA' have met four times since its formation in September, 2005. The accomplishments to date are as follows:

Incorporation—as of February 2006, the incorporation was complete.

Logo—the logo has been designed and is now as shown at top right of our newsletter.

Website—in final stages and expected to be launched in May 2006.

Database—is steadily building with 201 contacts as of March 2006. Thank you to everyone who has forwarded a completed 'Database Questionnaire' to Carla Anderton at ontariocommunitywatch@bellnet.ca. If you haven't as of yet, please find on reverse of this page a newly-revised 'Database Questionnaire' to complete and either mail or fax to Carla's attention. If you would prefer a copy to be sent to you via email, please call or email and request one

and she will gladly send one to you.

By completing this short questionnaire, you will be actively helping to create a time-saving resource for residents and police services of Ontario with readily available information.

Funding—National Crime Prevention Strategy grant application for phase 1 was successful and we have now applied for funding for phase 2.

Application for Ontario Trillium Foundation grant will also be submitted.

There is no doubt that the progress that has been made is a giant step from where we were three years ago when the formation was initiated. The members of the Adhoc committee, which consisted of members from London, Toronto and OPP representation worked together to apply for the first grant and developing the foundation of the Association.

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Board of Directors—Call for Nominations

In February 27, 2006, one of our original members, Sgt. Rob Radbourn, with regret submitted his resignation from the Board of Directors due to a change in his position within the Toronto Police Services. "**Rob has been a tremendous help in the establishment of the Ontario Community Watch Association offering support and advocacy**" says Pat Sales, Chair of the OCWA Board of Directors.

We are looking to add two volunteers to our Board to fill the vacancies.

London Police Services have offered representation and we would ask you, as the membership, at this time to notify Pat Sales at PSales@london.ca if you have any objections to this appointment.

If you are interested in being a part of the OCWA Board of Directors, please forward a short bio and resume to Pat Sales at PSales@london.ca.



Ontario Community Watch Association 'Community Watch' Program Database Questionnaire

1. Background Information (please print and type)

Contact Name: _____ Contact Title: _____
 Organization Name: _____
 Address: (optional) _____ City: _____ Postal Code: _____
 Tel. #: _____ Fax #: _____ Email Address: _____ Website: _____

Additional Contact:

Contact Name: _____ Contact Title: _____
 Tel. #: _____ Fax #: _____ Email Address: _____ Website: _____

2. Type of Organization (please check)

Community Policing Other Please specify: _____

Is this a non-profit organization? Yes No

3. Information on Organization

a. As of 2006, when was organization established? (please check one)
 Less than 1 year 1 – 5 years 6 – 10 years No response
 11 – 15 years 16 – 20 years 21 + years

b. How many members does your organization have? (please check one)
 1 – 10 26 – 50 11 – 25 50 +

c. Is there a membership fee? (please check one)
 No Yes If yes, please specify: _____

4. Languages Used (please check)

a. English b. French c. Other If other, please specify: _____

5. What programs does your organization have? (Please check)

A Community Watch Program can be defined as 'a community-driven crime reduction initiative intended to empower residents to take responsibility for the safety and well being of their community'.

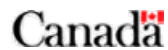
Apartment/Vertical Watch	Hospital Watch	Road Watch
Business Crime Watch	Kids Watch	Rural Watch
Cab Watch	Marine Watch	Seniors Watch
Campus Watch	Municipal Watch	Speed Watch
Citizens on Patrol	Neighbourhood Watch	Other: _____
City Watch	Park Watch	Other: _____
Cottage Watch	Realty Watch	Other: _____

6. Additional Comments

Thank you for completing this confidential questionnaire.

This information will be for the sole use of the OCWA and will not be sold or shared for any other purposes.

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