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We've all heard that we should call the police non-emergency line to report incidents in our neighborhood, but did you know that these calls are compiled and have a very real correlation to the amount of coverage we receive? When asking for a stronger park ranger presence in Riverview Natural Area we were told that fewer than 10 calls (in a specified timeline) had been logged regarding violations. When Portland Parks Bureau assesses where to send the rangers they cannot send a ranger when there are hundreds of calls on the east side of the Willamette.

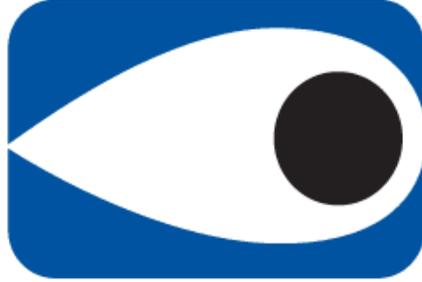
The city crime stats on Portland Monthly Neighborhood Offense Statistic Page <https://www.portlandoregon.gov/police/71978/> are two to three months late. An incident doesn't even appear there unless there is a recorded police report. Reporting only to the non emergency police number does not generate a police report. And insurance won't cover your loss unless there is a numbered police report. You can use the on-line police reporting form <https://www.portlandoregon.gov/police/cor/>

The PDX Reporter app is a new way to interact with the city concerning problems or issues with publicly maintained infrastructure. To report and request service calls to city assets and infrastructure needs (like potholes) use the PDX Reporter app: <https://pdxreporter.org/#Login>

The lesson for us is that we need to call/email/write for every violation we observe. And, we should do it with every bureau in the City of Portland (503-823-4000). The squeaky wheel gets the police, ranger patrols, repairmen

The rash of car break-ins, car theft, house break-ins, burglaries and package stealing reported on Nextdoor has generated concerns, anxiety, questions and frustration among Collins View residents. While the Portland Monthly Neighborhood Offense Statistics page https://www.portlandoregon.gov/police/71978 shows no uptick or concentration of crime activity in Collins View, the *common perception* of a definite increase of crime activity in our neighborhood is worrisome. Residents are organizing to launch Neighborhood Watch Programs. <https://www.portlandoregon.gov/oni/62587> for the skills and behaviors to reestablish the sense of a secure and safe neighborhood. Stay tuned.
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CRIME WATCH**



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All Suspicious
Activities To Our Police
Department**