

Keep our community safe Support your COPPS program by becoming a patroller

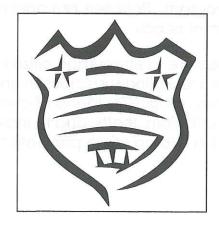
You must:

- Be 18 years of age
- Possess a valid Saskatchewan Driver's License
- Own and have legal access to and right of use of a reliable, properly registered motor vehicle
- Be free of ANY criminal convictions during the 5 years preceding his/her application
- Be free of any close association with any active criminal element

All applicants are subject to a security check conducted by the local RCMP. For further information, contact Clarence Buckoski 929-2096

Candle Lake Citizens on Patrol Program (COPPS)

Working in conjunction with the Smeaton RCMP to patrol the Candle Lake Community



Purpose of COPPS

- a) To increase citizen awareness
- To involve citizens in the reduction of crime by observing and reporting suspicious persons and incidents.
- c) To involve volunteer citizens in crime prevention activities.

COPPS is similar to Rural Crime Watch patrols, except that COPP participants will travel in pairs by vehicle, and may consist of male and/or female participants. They will observe and report any suspicious activities/persons, by means of a cell phone. They will make a written record of any observations for use by investigators or for court purposes.

COPP members do not have powers to arrest beyond those of an ordinary citizen. COPP members may also assist the police by participating in crime prevention programs that would be applicable to their respective communities. COPP members are not paid any salary under this program. Patrollers are paid mileage to recoup the cost of gas.

Our objectives are to encourage citizen participation in observing and reporting suspicious events/persons in our community, reduce incidents of crime, ie. Break and enter, vandalism, thefts, and to increase participation in related crime prevention programs.

BUDGET

We exist with the help of donations from our community. We are a registered charity so tax deductible receipts are given for donations. Thank you to our contributors from the past year:

- Resort Village of Candle Lake
- Various individual donations

As a community, we can contribute by being aware of what is going on in our neighbourhood. Be aware of who your neighbours are. When you are away, have someone check your property. Together we can all make a difference in our community.