



BUSINESS WATCH

2016

A crime prevention alliance of local businesses and the Bedford Police Department to help reduce and prevent crimes occurring in our business community.

Why have **BUSINESS WATCH**?

Financial crimes, shoplifting, robbery, and burglary are major concerns of the business community. By working together and sharing information with police and neighboring businesses, many problems



can be decreased, resolved, or avoided. The possibility of identifying and arresting



criminals also increases as more people become involved in the

process.



Taking part in **BUSINESS WATCH** is an important step in preventing crime or disorder problems that affect your business.

An integral part of the service is to **KEEP YOU INFORMED**

You will receive info on noteworthy events occurring within the town:

- Reports of counterfeit bills circulating in Bedford
- Patterns of activity, as in burglary or larceny incidents
- Lookouts for suspicious persons, vehicles, or activities
- The kinds, frequencies, locations of events that occur in the community.

Useful information from speakers knowledgeable about security issues affecting business owners/merchants

- Keeping your employees safe
- How to go about securing your business more effectively
- What to do in the event of a robbery, shoplifting, etc
- Tips on eliminating computer or credit fraud
- How-to tips on eliminating the opportunity for internal theft
- Low-cost crime prevention measures using environmental design
- Calls for service statistics for the **BUSINESS WATCH** area will be available each month from the Bedford Police Department.

For more information on **BUSINESS WATCH** contact:

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MEETING SCHEDULE

January 6
February 3
March 2
April 6
May 4
June 1
July 6
August 3
September 7
October 5
November 2
December 7

Speakers will be announced at a later date

Meetings are held 8:30am Council Chambers, 3rd Flr Town Municipal Building 215 E. Main St. • Bedford



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