

# How To Report Crime

Reporting crimes committed against you or someone else is an important part in helping to keep yourself, your loved ones and your community safe. If you have information about a crime that has been or may be committed or about someone involved in committing a crime, your information may help the police solve crimes and prevent future crimes from happening.

You can report a crime in person, over the telephone and online. Depending on the urgency, choose the method that best suits your situation and makes you feel most comfortable.

- **Please call 9-1-1 for crimes in progress!**  
**Calgary Police non-emergency line:** (403)-266-1234

**It is important to call Calgary Police Service, CPS to report a crime FIRST, not post on social media!** Call (403) 266-1234 to report suspicious individuals/vehicles, and crimes in your neighbourhood.

- **Calgary Police on-line reporting:** [www.calgarypolice.ca/onlinereporting.html](http://www.calgarypolice.ca/onlinereporting.html)  
The Calgary Police Service encourages Calgarians to report all crimes, in order to identify trends and better direct their patrols.
- **Citizen Online Police Report System:** [www.calgarypolice.ca](http://www.calgarypolice.ca) can be used to report lost property or theft under \$5,000 (except firearms, license plates or government-issued funds or ID), report damage/mischief to property or vehicle under \$5,000, and report theft from vehicle under \$5,000
- **Calgary Police in person reporting:** you can report non-emergency crime by visiting your district office. Ours is located in the multi-services building, opposite Vivo, beside the Northpointe park and ride on Country Village Link NE.
- **Drug Tip Line:** (403) 428-8100  
The Calgary Police Service takes calls from people who want to report drug related crime and wish to remain totally anonymous. The Drug Tip Line is one way citizens can assist police by providing information and without having to identify themselves or testify in court.  
You can also report this via the **SCAN Unit** (Safer Communities and Neighborhoods; see below): 1 (866) 960-7226
- **Crime Stoppers** – Talk, Type or Text: Call 1-800-222-8477, submit tips online at [crimestoppers.ab.ca](http://crimestoppers.ab.ca) or text tttTIPS to 274637  
Crime Stoppers is a non-profit organization that takes calls from people who want to report a crime and wish to remain totally anonymous
- **City of Calgary:** 3-1-1  
Report graffiti to the City of Calgary. There are also links to report persistent traffic concerns, view the latest crime maps, sign up to The Hub and more on the City's website at: [www.calgary.ca/cps/Pages/home.aspx](http://www.calgary.ca/cps/Pages/home.aspx)

## Sign Up to The Hub!

The Hub is the information headquarters of the Calgary Police Service where you can access news stories and announcements at your fingertips. Information on the Hub will be updated in real-time so that you can keep abreast of occurrences throughout the City.

If you want to be notified directly via voice message to your phone, text message to your cellphone, or by email, you can sign up to the Hub Messaging System. Create a user profile and specify how and what information you would like to receive. This information will be sent automatically to your device without you having to log into the Hub. Visit <https://hiplink.calgarypolice.ca/websignup/wsulogin.html> for more information and to register.

## Do You Know Your Neighbor? You Should!

We owe it to ourselves and our children to work together to create a safe and engaged community; a community where people know each other and are proud community members. We want a community where it's safe for our children to play outside and walk to school.

### Signs of illegal activity

There are some signs you can look for to determine if a property is being used for illegal activity. **Alone, any of these activities or signs may not necessarily mean that suspicious activity is taking place**, but a frequency of these activities or a combination of them may indicate a problem. For more information, please visit [www.solgps.alberta.ca/safe\\_communities/scan/Pages/SCAN.aspx](http://www.solgps.alberta.ca/safe_communities/scan/Pages/SCAN.aspx)

Some of the signs include:

- frequent visitors at all times of the day and night
- frequent late night activity
- windows blackened or curtains always drawn
- visitors with expensive vehicles
- unfriendly people who appear to be secretive about their activities
- people watching cars suspiciously as they pass by
- extensive investment in home security
- strange odours coming from the house or garbage
- garbage that contains numerous bottles and containers, particularly chemical containers
- putting garbage out in another neighbour's collection area

### How to Spot a Drug House in Your Neighbourhood

Marijuana Grow Operations are becoming a big problem throughout Calgary. The following are some of the signs to look for:

- Blinds on the main floor are always closed
- Frequent and unusual traffic (stop, enter garage, leave, different vehicles coming and going)
- Humming noises (wind/humming coming from the garage)
- Little property maintenance (do you see pride of ownership?)
- Strange odors (skunk smell every so often, solvents)
- Property alteration (covering windows/patio doors)
- They may wave and appear friendly. But do you know them? Have you seen inside their house?

These are just some of the things to watch for. If the house was recently sold and it appears that someone moved in, but you've never really met them be alert to the signs above. Talk about it with your neighbors. People taking part in criminal activities want to go unnoticed. If they get noticed and reported, they will leave and eventually not come at all.