

# COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP

*Virtual Block Watch is one of the Phoenix Police Department's contemporary crime prevention and investigation tools that showcase our partnership with the community.*



*Virtual Block Watch (VBW) utilizes your security cameras to help solve crime. This exciting new program is now live, and like all new programs, there are questions.*

**Q: How will Virtual Block Watch assist the Phoenix Police Department?**

A: VBW will assist detectives by collaborating with the virtual community who may have captured digital evidence of a crime for prosecution.

**Q: Do you recommend any specific security camera system?**

A: This will be completely up to the owner's discretion. It is recommended that cameras are at a resolution of 1080p for a clear picture, but a 720P system can be registered with VBW. A DVR with a 30-day retention is preferred.



**Q: Does the Police Department have remote access to my security camera system?**

A: No. Virtual Block Watch will not have any type of streaming capabilities or live feed from your CCTV system. The Police Department will have the address of the registered system along with the directions of the camera views.

**Q: If my security camera system captures a criminal or crime, will I be required to testify in court?**

A: No. Once the Police Department copies the portion of video needed for prosecution, the Police Department will testify on the digital evidence collected from your security camera system.

## HOW DO I SIGN UP?

[www.phoenix.gov/police/virtualblockwatch](http://www.phoenix.gov/police/virtualblockwatch)

or e-mail your question to:

[virtualblockwatch@phoenix.gov](mailto:virtualblockwatch@phoenix.gov)



**...AND REMEMBER, IF YOU**

**SEE SOMETHING?  
SAY SOMETHING!**

**Call 911**

**Crime Stop  
602-262-6151**

**Silent Witness  
480-WITNESS**