

A Safer Naper --- Business Partnerships

The Naperville Police Department has a long history of working in partnership with the business community of Naperville to keep employees and customers safe. We work directly with the Naperville Area Chamber of Commerce, the Downtown Naperville Alliance as well as individual businesses.

Below are a few of the business-related programs, training opportunities and campaigns the Naperville Police Department offers or has recently participated in.

ALICE is a verified training program that gives citizens options when encountered with an aggressive intruder or active shooter in order to increase their chances of survival. The options-based tactics taught in A.L.I.C.E. training have become the accepted response versus the traditional “lockdown only” approach. The Naperville Police Department offers free training to Naperville businesses, schools, houses of worship, corporations and other community groups to teach proactive safety and response tactics to citizens.

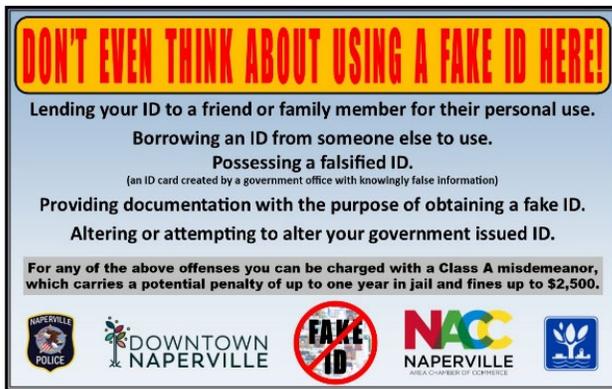


B.A.S.S.E.T. (Beverage Alcohol Sellers and Servers Education and Training): All establishments that hold a liquor license within Naperville must require agents and employees who dispense, sell, deliver or serve alcoholic liquor to be enrolled in the B.A.S.S.E.T. program within 30 days of date of hire. Classes are conducted by State of Illinois-licensed members of the Naperville Police Department.

Downtown Beat Officer is a community policing initiative designed to improve service and communication between the downtown merchants and the police department. The Downtown Naperville Alliance has become a vital partner with our program allowing us to increase communication, build additional partners, and strengthen the department's reputation for service and problem solving.

The primary goal of the Downtown Beat Officer is to enhance police service delivery in the Central Business District through a proactive and interactive approach utilizing problem solving, coordination of resources, enhanced communication within the agency and with merchants and partnership creation. The Downtown Beat Officer provides a modified patrol service to the CBD, which may include foot patrol, marked vehicle patrol and all-terrain vehicle patrol.

Fake ID Signs were presented to business throughout Naperville to raise awareness of the consequences of using a fake ID. The “**DON'T EVEN THINK ABOUT USING A FAKE ID HERE!**” laminated signs were directed at the individuals that may attempt to purchase alcohol while underage. The card listed various criminal offenses related to fake IDs and the penalties for using them.



Gift Card Scams Signs were delivered to business in Naperville to help deter people from buying gift cards and prepaid cards to pay off a potential scammer. The Naperville Police Department saw a need for these WARNING signs because of an increase number of cases involving criminals having people purchase gift cards and prepaid cards as forms of payments for utilities, taxes, computer problems, medical expenses or bail.

As a reminder, no government agency or utilities will ever call you and tell you that you must pay using a gift card or prepaid card.



Real Estate Agents help bring new families to Naperville. The Naperville Police Community Services Unit offered to Naperville Realtors a two-tiered educational program. The first part informed them of some of the numerous programs that Naperville Police Department offers to our residence and business. The second offered safety tips for the agent to keep them safe while in their offices as well as during travel to and from and while showing properties.

Package Theft Prevention for Delivery Service Drivers. Safety talks were conducted for delivery service drivers educating them in how to help prevent and deter package thefts as well as keeping them safe while making deliveries. The placement of delivered packages could help prevent them from being seen by “porch pirates” who are looking for packages to steal. Drivers were also instructed to know their routes and be aware of their surroundings.

PACKAGE THEFT PREVENTION
For Delivery Service Drivers

PACKAGE PLACEMENT

Avoid leaving packages in plain view from the street. Place packages in a less conspicuous spot such as:

- Storm Door
- Wall
- Back/Side Door
- Planter

Don't forget to check delivery instructions from the customer.

BE ALERT

Pay special attention to:

- Suspicious vehicles, subjects following or waiting down the street.
- Deliveries to vacant homes or homes under construction.
- Placement of large ticket items such as TVs in original packaging.
- People exiting vehicles/going to porches when truck pulls away.

PREVENT & DETER

Avoid being an easy target.

- Strategize vehicle placement to avoid being blocked in.
- Lock vehicle.
- Practice "Situational Awareness" (know your surroundings).

REPORT IT

Call 911 to report suspicious vehicles or subjects. Identify:

- Vehicle Description
 - License Plate
 - Year/Make/Model/Color
 - Noticeable Features/Damage
- Subject Description
 - Race/Sex/Age
 - Height/Weight/Hair Color/Clothing Description
 - Peculiarities (tattoos/scar)

REMEMBER
PERSONAL SAFETY COMES FIRST

Vehicle Dealerships are a major business in Naperville. The Naperville Police Department shares with our vehicle dealers' safety concerns and information about crimes occurring in Naperville and the surrounding communities. The NPD has also conducted CPTED (Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design) security assessment walk throughs at several dealerships. These walk throughs help identify possible areas of concern and together various options are discussed to help lessen the risk and opportunities for crime.