



## Neighbors Helping Neighbors - Criminal Behavior Surveillance Citizen Assistance Program

The Brown Deer Police Department (BDPD), along with Ring, suggested those with Ring Surveillance Cameras download the App, *Neighbors by Ring*, to share alerts, helping make our communities safer for everyone.

BDPD would like to provide an opportunity for residents and business owners to help officers solve local crimes with the assistance of any type of exterior video surveillance cameras (any kind). Video evidence helps officers develop leads bringing investigations to successful conclusions.

We are currently initiating a sign-up process where community members can, on a voluntary basis, register their surveillance cameras, so they can be contacted by police to request video surveillance from the registered camera system when a crime occurs in their neighborhood. This fosters the sharing of information and gives citizens the opportunity to assist with protecting their neighborhoods.

Some registrant Information about the program:

- Registration is voluntary. Registration does not give BDPD open access to your cameras. This lets us know that you have cameras, so we can reach out to you if crime occurs in your neighborhood and we think video footage could be helpful.
- Registration automatically renews each year. If we do not hear back from you when we request an update about continuing the program during our biennial follow up, we automatically drop you from the program.
- Registration information will be used by the BDPD only for official purposes.
- BDPD may ask a registrant to check their recordings for a specific date/time should investigators determine the potential for video evidence in the vicinity of the registrant's surveillance system.
- Footage containing or related to criminal activity may be collected by the BDPD for use as evidence during any stage of a criminal proceeding.
- Under no circumstances, should registrants construe they are acting as an agent or employee of the Village of Brown Deer or the BDPD.
- Registrants can withdraw from the program at any time. Just contact the BDPD at 414-371-2900 or by email at [policeadmin@bdpolice.org](mailto:policeadmin@bdpolice.org).

We look forward to working with all residents and business members to make the Village of Brown Deer as safe a community to live as possible! For info, please call 414-371-2900 or visit our website at (the registration sign-up sheet can be found under Forms here):

<https://www.browndeerwi.org/departments/police-department/>

