

ACT NOW TO BRING A CONSTABLE PATROL TO MANDELL AND WINLOW PLACE

Burglaries, car break-ins and all types of crime are increasing in our neighborhood. While HPD responds to crimes *committed*, it lacks the resources to patrol and *prevent* crime from occurring in our neighborhood. A Constable Patrol is the solution and each neighborhood that has implemented a Constable Patrol has seen a significant decrease in crime as criminals are apprehended, think twice about committing crimes in the area or move on to less secure neighborhoods.

To implement a Constable Patrol, a neighborhood –individual households cannot do it –must contract with the Harris County Commissioners Court. There is one overall contract that covers the entire neighborhood. In our case, the contract would cover Mandell and Winlow Place and would be administered on behalf of our neighborhood through the volunteer efforts of homeowners organized as the Mandell Winlow Security Foundation, 501(c)(3) status pending. This means that in order to enter into the contract, we must have a sufficient number of homes to achieve “critical mass” so that we can sign the contract to start the service. **Please act now and help us bring a Constable Patrol to Mandell and Winlow Place!**

Once we enter into the contract, deputy constables will be assigned to patrol our neighborhood and *proactively* work to reduce crime and enhance safety and security in Mandell and Winlow Place. Because Constables are certified peace officers, they have the right to ticket, arrest and, if necessary, use force to deter and stop crime. We receive highly visible, patrol services by the deputy constables in marked police vehicles. The entire neighborhood benefits from a general deterrent effect and the heightened level of security throughout Mandell and Winlow Place. Since the cost of the program cannot be “charged” to all households in the area, however, the cost of the program is borne directly by participating, “member” households. Those member households pay a pro rata portion of the cost of the contract, so the cost to each household is lower the more households participate. It is, therefore, a win-win the more households that join. All homeowners and renters who reside in the area being served are eligible to participate in the Constable Program. Member households –those directly bearing the cost of the program –receive certain special benefits, including:

- First-responder for your alarm system, so no going through HPD;
- Direct contact phone number, so no need to go through a central dispatcher;
- Faster response time to calls (usually 1-2 minutes);
- Vacation Watch patrol service while you are on vacation;
- Home security inspections to find out vulnerabilities and improvements;
- Special programs, including classes and meetings, so that you can be proactive in enhancing your security and safety; and
- Highly visible yard sign warning that the home is patrolled by the Constable.

Payments may be made by credit card or PayPal at www.mwpatrol.org/payment.

To pay by check, fill out, detach and mail the form below with your payment.

For further details, visit www.mwpatrol.org

PLEASE ACT NOW BY MAKING YOUR PAYMENT AND BECOMING A MEMBER.

Name: _____ Address _____

Email: _____ Tel: _____ Cell: _____

Payment: _____ Sponsor \$500 (special recognition on yard sign) _____ Member \$395

Checks to: “Mandell Winlow Security Foundation,” 2118 Smith Street, Houston, TX 77002