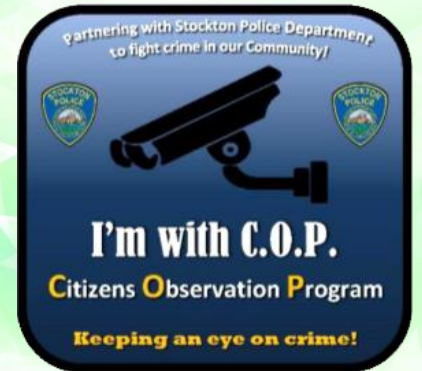


# Citizens Observation Program



**The Citizens Observation Program (COP)** is a component of the Stockton Police Department's crime prevention strategy. The program proactively partners with residents and businesses to keep our city safe and solve crime. The COP program allows residents and business owners to voluntarily register the locations of their video surveillance systems. This crime prevention and investigative tool allows law enforcement to more easily identify the



locations of video surveillance systems and enlist the assistance of the community to help obtain video evidence.

In continuing to promote the city's vision of proactive, problem solving partnerships with the community, SPD offers this program as an additional tool to deter criminal activity in our neighborhoods. Many business owners and residents already operate private surveillance systems. As crimes occur in their respective areas, community members are not always aware that their surveillance systems may have captured information that could prove vital in a law enforcement investigation.

The registry and list of registered properties is kept confidential.

The police department will not have access to footage but will be aware that a camera exists when investigating a crime in or around a particular neighborhood. If a crime occurs in the vicinity or in an adjoining neighborhood, the police may, if necessary, contact participants of the program and request a copy of their footage for evidence or investigative leads. After registering your camera, you will receive a C.O.P sticker for your home or business to show your participation in the program.

The program is 100% voluntary and you can choose to opt out of the program at any time.

If you have additional questions regarding the Citizens Observation Program, please call 209-937-8304, email us at [cop@stocktonca.gov](mailto:cop@stocktonca.gov) or go to:

<http://www.stocktongov.com/government/departments/police/psCopProgram.html>



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