

Help the Police Department to help you. Your cooperation will make our city a safer place to live and work.

Groups or organizations can take part in this program by making the tools and forms available to their members. The tool can be made available for an extended period of time based on the current membership in the group.

**FOR SERIOUS EMERGENCIES
DIAL 911
ALL OTHER TIMES CALL YOUR
LOCAL PRECINCT**



**FREE SECURITY SERVICES
FOR YOUR HOME-OFFICE-OR
BUSINESS**

SECURITY SURVEYS: confidential surveys conducted for burglary, robbery, larceny and other types of loss.

LECTURE PROGRAM: crime prevention lectures dealing with street crime and property crime can be arranged for your business, civic or social organizations.

SEND TO:
Commanding Officer
Crime Prevention Section
34½ East 12th Street
New York, N.Y. 10003
Tel.: (212) 614-6741

REQUEST FOR:

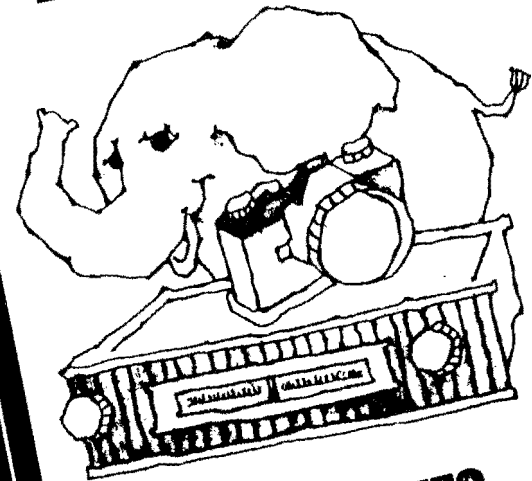
Security Survey _____
Guest Speaker _____

REQUESTOR:

Name _____
Address _____

Tel. # _____

**SAFEGUARD
YOUR
PROPERTY**



SAFEGUARD SERIES

A Public Service pamphlet from the
Crime Prevention Section
New York City Police Department

"IDENTIFY YOUR VALUABLES" OPERATION I.D.

- Mark all your valuables with your social security number or federal employers tax number.
- Register your name and social security number with your local precinct.
- Record all marked property. Keep this list in a safe place.
- Display your Operation I.D. decals.

Experience in various cities throughout the United States indicates that the marking of valuable property with a distinctive number has reduced the incidence of burglary within the participating group. To afford the citizens of the City of New York the maximum protection from Burglary and related crimes against property, the Police Department has initiated the Operation Identification program. At no cost to the resident or businessman, an electric etching tool, registration forms and distinctive decals are made available at the local Precinct station house.

With the etching tool you can mark all your valuables with your Social Security Number followed by the letters "N.Y.C." For business locations, the Federal Employers Tax number modified to a (9) nine digit number with preface zeroes, followed by "N.Y.C." should be utilized.

Registration for the program is made on (2) two file cards. The Information Sheet is yours to keep. In the event you become the victim of a crime it will aid in making an accurate report of the loss. The decals should be posted on your door and window. They have been found to have a good deterrent value.

SAFEGUARD YOUR

The cost of the program is low, just a few hours of your time. a few minutes of practice will make you an expert with the marking tool.

The tool is free and loaned for a (3) three day period. The decals are free and carry the logo of the New York City Police Department, as well as a warning that all the items of value on the premises are marked for identification by this department.

The forms needed for this program are available in English and Spanish. The instruction sheet for the use of the etching tool is also available in these two languages.

The central file of identifying numbers is available to police officers on a 24 hour basis for quick determination of legal ownership.

The program has many benefits to homeowner and businessman alike. It will initially discourage the theft of the item. It will decrease the value of the item to the thief at the time of resale. It will assist in the recovery of stolen property or found property.

Small items of jewelry, or items unsuitable for marking should be permanently recorded by making a photo, then writing a brief description on the back with the date of purchase and value. This may aid in the recovery of the item and will allow a more accurate description in the event of a loss or theft.

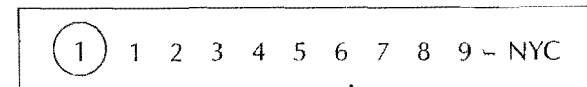
PROPERTY

If you should be victimized by a thief or burglar, CONTACT THE POLICE DEPARTMENT. COOPERATE WITH THE INVESTIGATING OFFICERS AND THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE.

- Don't let your local burglar make his mark at your expense.
- Make your mark for Crime Prevention today join Operation Identification.
- Urge your friends and neighbors to join Operation Identification.

RESALE OF PROPERTY

Should you sell or discard the item, simply mark the number (1) in a circle to the left of the number. This will identify the first owner of the property. You may also urge the new owner to avail himself of the program to continue the protection afforded.



Property which has a manufacturers serial number should also be marked because many of these numbers are not truly distinctive. There may be an entire series of the very same item bearing the same number as yours. Do not take a chance with your valuables, play safe, mark it, to be sure.

If you do not have a Social Security Number, consider obtaining one. If this is not possible, the Social Security Number of any family member who resides with you is an acceptable substitute. Special numbering/lettering codes are available for unusual or unique program participants. Confer with your local Precinct Crime Prevention Officer for details.