



*“Everyone in a community has a role to play in keeping their neighbourhood safe.”*

## Purpose

The purpose of a Safe Squad is to provide visual deterrence against criminal activity. The primary role of members is to act as eyes and ears of the community—to observe and report suspicious persons or circumstances to the police.

Safe Squad members patrol the community on foot, on bicycles or in vehicles. They carry cell phones and wear reflective vests identifying them as Safe Squad patrol members. Members are required to behave in a non-confrontational manner at all times while on patrol.

## Benefits of Participation

Safe Squad members:

- are part of an effective crime prevention program that improves quality of life
- meet neighbours and others that share common goals
- feel empowered to take on issues that effect them and their children
- feel connected and supported by police and others in the community
- are provided with crime prevention learning opportunities
- have increased confidence in their power to affect their community in positive ways

## Membership

Safe Squad members must:

- be 18 years old or older
- be of good character
- pass an interview with an Edmonton Police Service N.E.T. officer
- agree to act in strict accordance with Safe Squad Rules of Conduct
- successfully complete the orientation provided by N.E.T. staff
- pass a routine police security check
- sign, and act in strict accordance with, an oath of confidentiality

## Contact

For more information on Safe Squad please call Michelle Fillion at

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# PROGRAM SUMMARY

Visit N.E.T.'s web page on the Edmonton Police Service web site at [www.edmontonpolice.ca](http://www.edmontonpolice.ca) under the Crime Prevention tab

