



## Dear Villagers,

Roscoe Village Chamber of Commerce (RVCC) and Roscoe Village Neighbors (RVN) take the increase in violent crimes where we live, work and play very seriously. As we grapple with the increased frequency and severity of crime in our neighborhood, we want to keep you informed of the actions that our two organizations are taking:

- We are in continuous communication with our Aldermen and leadership at the 19<sup>th</sup> District Police station, and for the past year we have had a representative interfacing with Commander Buslik, his officers, and other community leaders on the District Advisory Council regarding crime incidents and prevention strategies.
- We host an annual Neighborhood Watch Town Hall where representatives from the 19<sup>th</sup> District and our elected officials appear to present strategies for crime prevention within Roscoe Village to all residents and business owners who attend. We are planning the next annual town hall to occur in late January or early February.
- We are increasing communication to our membership regarding incidents of crime, prevention tips, and ways for members to take action.
- We are advocating on behalf of Roscoe Village for the city to allocate additional officers to the 19<sup>th</sup> District. Compared to 2011, the city of Chicago is down over 2,000 officers and the 19<sup>th</sup> District alone is missing 105 officers. RVCC and RVN are continuing to support our local police department in the following ways:
  - o Continued advocacy with our elected officials for more police officers patrolling Roscoe Village, especially as we have seen crime increase over the past four months.
  - o Implementing a networked camera system in Roscoe Village to assist law enforcement in its efforts to solve and prevent crime.
  - Assessing the activation of neighborhood foot patrols to provide more eyes on the streets, especially in the evening.

RVCC and RVN are proud to represent such a passionate community committed to making our neighborhood a safe place to live and work. On behalf of both organizations, we want you to know that we take your concerns very seriously and are committed to improving the safety of our Village.

To get involved, please contact RVCC at <a href="mailto:info@rvcc.biz">info@rvcc.biz</a> or 773-327-5123 and RVN at <a href="mailto:roscoevillageneighbors@gmail.com">roscoevillageneighbors@gmail.com</a> or become a member at roscoevillage.org.

Best Regards and Happy Holidays,

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