

SENIOR WATCH PROGRAM

- ❖ The Township of Copley is now offering a Senior Watch Program. This program will provide daily checks for senior citizens or disabled adults, who reside in Copley, live alone and do not have the means or capacity to leave their home, or have friends or family immediately available to check on their well being. This program is intended to provide residents living alone with a sense of security as well as comfort in knowing that assistance is coming should they become incapacitated.

- ❖ How it Works:
 - Interested participants will contact Officer Duane Scott (330-666-8866) to communicate interest in the program. Officer Scott will set up a time to make a home visit to meet the senior or disabled adult and compile an emergency information sheet.
 - Once the senior or disabled adult is enrolled in the program, they will call the police department each day by 10:00 a.m. (330-666-8866). If the Communications Specialist has not heard from the senior or disabled adult by 10:00 a.m., they will attempt to contact the individual via telephone. If they are still unable to reach the senior or disabled adult, the listed emergency contact will be contacted. At that time, if the Communications Specialist has not received adequate information from the emergency contact, an officer will be sent to the participant's home to check on the welfare of that individual.

- ❖ Who's Eligible:
 - Senior or disabled adult residents of Copley Township.
 - **This program is specially designed to care for the needs of residents who do not have family members who are checking their welfare regularly.**

- ❖ Helpful Reminders:
 - Participants not home for extended periods due to vacations, hospital stays, etc. should notify the police department immediately of the dates they will be gone and call in again when they have returned home. (Officers will then be able to "keep an eye" on the participants home while they are away ... for further peace of mind.)