



Keep Clifton Safe!

Help Us Fight Drug Dealing by Watching and Reporting Suspicious Activity

What to watch for

A car you don't recognize is parked and waiting for no apparent purpose.



Another car arrives and pulls up driver's window to driver's window. Or one

person may get out and walk over to the other car and either lean in the window or get in.



Or both may get out and make the transaction, usually trying to keep it covert (like passing the money and drug as part of a handshake).



After they appear to exchange something at least one of the cars drives off. The other may also leave, or its driver may use the drugs right then and there.

This pattern can occur on any side street in the city, regardless of neighborhood. It is facilitated by cell phones, which allow spontaneous meetings at random locations. This makes it hard for the police to track – *but you can help fill in the missing information.*

Keep in mind that if something feels amiss, there's a real good chance it is.



What to do

First, do not antagonize or confront the participants; do note details!

Take a pic if you can do so safely. Jot down as much detail as you can safely observe: color, make, and condition of each car; license plates (even partial or state); number of occupants (M/F, W/B, age, hair, eyes, height, weight; hat, clothes; and anything else you notice. Note the date and time.



Then call 765-1212 and say, I = 'i gh cVgYfj YX' gi gdJMcI g' UMij JIm Uh OcVWhjcbQ and give the details.

Remember: You are reporting suspicious activity for the benefit of the police. You're not expected to prove a crime was committed before you call. Incomplete information is common. Just pay attention to your feeling about the situation, and do your best to say what makes you suspicious and to provide a good description of the participants.

What the police will do

Since these exchanges are typically very brief and may only *appear* to be drug dealing, it is rarely feasible or effective for the police to drop everything and rush to the scene. They do, however, piece together fragments of information from many reports to identify the participants. Police may opt to observe the dealers discretely rather than arrest them immediately in order to gather information about their sources and operations.



To report suspected drug dealing or suspicious activity while it is live, call 765-1212. For an ongoing pattern of drug dealing/suspicious activity, or any questions, contact Sgt. Bryant Stewart, Police District 5 Violent Crimes Unit 569-8521 Bryant Stewart@cincinnati-oh.gov