



# LINCOLNWOOD POLICE DEPARTMENT

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## **Police E-mail Notification System**

The Lincolnwood Police Department is proud to reintroduce a new no cost communication tool for Lincolnwood that is designed to increase community awareness. The program, called PENS (Police Email Notification System), utilizes the power of the Internet to establish a line of communication between the Police Department and the community so that vital information can be promptly disseminated between the two.

Community policing philosophies mandate a proactive partnership between the police and the citizens they serve. Successful programs tap into the community to help them fight crime. There are countless times that the Police Department could benefit from an informed public and vice versa. The PENS program instantly alerts the community by sending important notifications to those participating in the program. Participants will receive notices such as: crime patterns, traffic alerts, missing persons, wanted persons and wanted vehicles.

Here's how it works: When an incident of importance occurs, a message from the police Department will be sent to any registered persons via their computer. The community will benefit from being informed and the Police Department benefits from information that is returned from the community.

The more people participate (register to receive text messages), the better the program will work. Everyone who lives or works in Lincolnwood is highly encouraged to join. To join, contact Sergeant Richard Solomon at [rsolomon@lwd.org](mailto:rsolomon@lwd.org).