

## Know Your Neighbors

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Take some time to introduce yourself and meet your neighbors. A simple "hello" goes a long way and is the first step in building a good relationship. If you feel comfortable enough exchange phone numbers. They may be more likely to watch your residence when you are away and could contact you directly if there is a problem.

## Keep The Noise Down

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Neighbors have differing needs whether it is getting up early for work or studying for a big exam. Be respectful to all neighbors by keeping noise to a minimum, particularly after 10 p.m. If you are having a gathering, keep guests inside with the windows and exterior doors closed. Typically, noise heard beyond a property line is too loud.

## Make Good Decisions in Hosting a Gathering

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A host is responsible for the safety and welfare of all guests at a gathering and has a legal and ethical obligation to make sure guests are safe when they arrive and when they leave. Develop a plan, turn away not invited/unwanted guests, and take action if you sense a problem occurring. It is important to know who is at your gathering. Some people attend open gatherings with an idea to steal during the event or to return at a later time.

## Practice Courtesy When Parking

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Take care not to block driveways, obstruct the sidewalk, park on the yard, or park facing the wrong direction. All neighbors appreciate the ability to park in front of their own home or apartment.

## Show Pride in Your Neighborhood - Clean, Green and Trash Free

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Whether you rent or own your own home, show pride in your neighborhood by keeping up the property. Keep your lawn mowed and pick up trash. Do not overflow garbage cans and please put the trash cans away after trash collection. Call 512-393-8026 for trash and recycling pick-up information.

