



“Come Together” Ideas!

*The goal of this MPD community safety program is to encourage the people who live and work in our neighborhoods to purposefully **Connect, Communicate and Come Together** because “Safe, caring neighborhoods start with Good Neighbors!”*

Speaker Ideas for Presentations



Safety-related Topics:

- Active shooter preparedness training
- Bike/pedestrian safety
- Consumer safety/scams and frauds
- CPR/First Aid
- Emergency management/disaster preparedness
- Fire prevention & safety
- Food safety
- Prescription medicine safety
- Self-defense class
- Senior safety (alert devices, slips and falls)
- Severe weather safety
- Utility safety (power outages, downed power lines, using generators)

Get to Know Madison Police:

K9 Unit demonstration

Mounted Patrol corral

Learn from MPD subject matter experts about:

- Burglary crimes
- Detectives/investigative Services
- Domestic abuse
- Drones
- Gangs
- General crime prevention/safety
- Heroin Addiction/MARI Program
- Human trafficking
- Internet safety
- MPD Mental Health Team
- SWAT
- Traffic safety
- Violent crimes



Law Enforcement/Criminal Justice Speakers

- 911 Operations manager
- Crime victim advocate
- Dane County Bomb Squad
- Dane County Judge
- Dane County K9s
- Dane County Sheriff
- District Attorney
- EMTs
- FBI agent
- Municipal judge
- TSA Agent



General Topic Speakers

- Local Author
- Local Artist
- Local Business owner/employee
- Learn more about Madison City services:
 - Streets & Recycling
 - Water Utility
 - Zoning
- Non-profit spokesperson
- Professor or topic expert
- Public official

Group Tours



Take a tour in your community:

- 115th Airwing at Truax Field
- Charity or non-profit
- Dane County 911 Operations Center
- Dane County Jail
- Fire station
- Local Business
- Local TV station

Create your own neighborhood tour:

- Garden Tour
- Home Tour
- Walking Tour



Take a tour with the Madison Police Department:

- District police station tours
- MPD Training Center tour

Your neighborhood association or others may already offer some of these activities in your neighborhood – if so, don't reinvent the wheel, GET INVOLVED!

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Food Activity Ideas:

Bake-off	Pancake breakfast
BBQ	Picnic
Chili cook-off	Pizza party
Cookie exchange	Potluck
Cooking class	Progressive dinner
Global/multi-cultural potluck	Recipe exchange
Ice cream social	Wine-tasting party



Offer services for neighbors:

- Clean rain gutters
- Help a neighbor move
- Paint
- Pet sit
- Plant/Weed a garden
- Rake leaves/fall clean-up
- Shovel or mow
- Tune up bicycles
- Walk pets
- Wash cars

Charity Activity Ideas:

Work together with neighbors on a charity project:

- Knit items for charity
- Make/collect blankets/socks/mittens for the homeless or domestic abuse victims
- Put together back-to-school backpacks with school supplies for kids
- Start a food/blood/book/clothing drive
- Visit assisted living or nursing home residents
- Volunteer as a group for a local charity

Service Activity Ideas

Work together with neighbors on a service project:

- Remove invasive plants from a park/bike path
- Shovel out fire hydrants
- Tidy up the neighborhood/pick up litter

Neighborhood Fun Activity Ideas



Art show

Block party

Board game night

Book exchange

Book or knitting or craft club

Car show

Coffee group

Form a neighborhood kickball, soccer, softball, bowling, volleyball league

Fun run

Game night (outdoors or indoors)

Garden plant exchange

Halloween Trunk-or-Treat

Neighborhood Olympics

Outdoor movie

Ping pong/dominoes/card/game tournament

Pumpkin carving/decorating

Restaurant group

Scavenger hunt

Sidewalk chalk art contest

Sledding party

Snowman-building contest

Talent show

Trivia night

White elephant gift exchange



Advocacy Ideas



Campaign to slow down drivers

Campaign to get more lighting or play equipment for a park

Campaign for pedestrian or bike safety changes on a street/at an intersection

Campaign to address a specific crime/safety issue