NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH NEWSLETTER, JUNE 31, 2020

TWELVE-MONTH ANALYISIS INDICATIONS ARE THAT IMPROVED CRIME PREVENTION RESULTS IN MEASURED DECREASE OF CRIMES OF OPPORTUNITY.

Don't take the good news for granted though.
Stay vigilant and keep up the great work you're doing to insure a safe and secure community – always!

CRIME:
FROM-TO: 1 MAY 18-31 MAY 19: SUB TOT: RATIO:

BURGLARY OR RESIDENCE	$13/P^1 =$	.089%
THEFT OF VEHICLE	$5/P^1 =$	.035%
BURGLARY OF VEHICLE	$20/P^1 =$	.140%
THEFT	$\underline{37}/P^1 =$	.255%

Despite the recent up-tick in the local population, the only evidence there is any reciprocal increase in Crimes of Opportunity is in the category of Burglary of Vehicle.

Just over the past few weeks, several Burglary of Vehicle incidents have been reported in the Denmons community. None have been reported for Woodlake – but, that's not a pat-on- back or a slight on Denmon's residents. It means we've taken positive steps to prevent or deter criminal activity.

The raw data indicates there was an increase of

CRIME:
FROM-TO: 1 MAY 19-31 MAY 20: SUB TOT: RATIO:

BURGLARY OR RESIDENCE	$7/P^2 =$	.048%	= - .04%
THEFT OF VEHICLE	$5/P^2 =$	.034%	= - .001%
BURGLARY OF VEHICLE	$30/P^2 =$	.207%	= +.14%
THEFT	$\underline{24}/P^2 =$	-165%	= -.09%

approximately 10 Burglary of Vehicle occurrences from 1/7/18 – 1/7/19 = 47, and from 1/7/19 – 1/7/20 = 57, and can be explained by the estimated increase in the local population by approximately 1200 new residents since 2018. So, how are the slight decreases in the incidence of other Crimes of Opportunity accounted for?

Not are just the local population densities changing, but so are the demographics.

https://www.census.gov/quickfacts/fact/table/bellcountytexas/PST045219

The latest census, 1 July 2019, estimated Bell County's population at: 362,924. This is an increase of 17% from previous 2010 estimates (1.8% annual rate of change). This equates to an updated estimated population of approximately 362,270 for 2018.

The 5-mile-radius of the Woodlake area-of-interest (less the portion of the surface area of Lake Belton) encompasses approximately 45 square miles. This equals approximately 4% of the total 1,051 square miles for Bell County equating to a local area population for 2018 of 14,490 (P^1) and 14,517 (P^2) for 2019.

	2010		2000			
Population by Age						
Persons 0 to 4 years	28,365	9.14%	21,100	8.87%	7,265	34.43%
Persons 5 to 17 years	59,752	19.26%	47,638	20.02%	12,114	25.43%
Persons 18 to 64 years	195,115	62.89%	148,371	62.35%	46,744	31.50%
Persons 65 years and over	27,003	8.70%	20,865	8.77%	6,138	29.42%

ⓘ Population estimates, July 1, 2019, (V2019)	362,924
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ⓘ Population estimates base, April 1, 2010, (V2019)	310,159
ⓘ Population, percent change - April 1, 2010 (estimates base) to July 1, 2019, (V2019)	17.0%
ⓘ Population, Census, April 1, 2010	310,235
Age and Sex	
ⓘ Persons under 5 years, percent	⚠ 8.2%
ⓘ Persons under 18 years, percent	⚠ 27.6%
ⓘ Persons 65 years and over, percent	⚠ 11.2%
ⓘ Female persons, percent	⚠ 50.3%