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**PREVENTING CRIME**

**APPREHENDING  
CRIMINALS**

**LOCATING MISSING  
PERSONS**

The Minnesota Crime Alert Network provides a fast, cost-effective means of communications between law enforcement agencies and the communities they serve.



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## HOW IT WORKS

The Network uses broadcast fax and electronic mail technology to send crime alerts simultaneously to dozens, hundreds, or even thousands of people – averaging between 8,000 to 10,000 destinations within minutes. The officer sending the alert chooses both the geographic area and the types of recipients to which the alert should be sent. Alerts are sent directly to those most likely to provide useful information or those potentially affected by the crime or criminal.

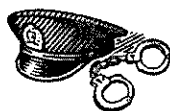
Anyone with a fax machine or electronic mail address can apply to be a member of the Network. The categories list is provided on this brochure. Sign up for as many categories that relate to your business.



## MEMBERSHIP

We recognize that this is a collaborative effort and that its success relies on participation from all sectors of Minnesota business, law enforcement, and the community; therefore we have kept membership fees low. The annual membership fee is \$12.00 per receiving fax machine or electronic mail address. New members receive a 90-day trial membership in order to determine whether the alerts will be valuable for them.

## POLICE PARTICIPATION



During the past decade, the role of law enforcement officers has changed focus and direction. In the past, the primary role of a law enforcement officer was to protect the public by enforcing laws and responding quickly to potentially life-threatening emergencies. Law enforcement's role has expanded to include a variety of public service activities, which fall under the umbrella title of Community Oriented Policing.

Community Oriented Policing is a strategy which promotes shared ownership and input between law enforcement departments and their respective communities. The purpose of this partnership is to create solutions for dealing with problems relating to issues of public safety and concern for that particular community.

Most law enforcement agencies recognize the importance of involving the public in solving and preventing crimes. Traditionally, our efforts have ranged from "wanted" posters in the town square, Neighborhood Watch, Crime Stoppers, and television programs like America's Most Wanted. Today, our efforts include programs like the Minnesota Crime Alert Network, Amber Alert Emergency Child Abduction notification, Crime Watch and programs like Operation ID, McGruff House, Minnesota Watch your Car Program, neighborhood watch, and Minnesota Multi-Housing.

**SIGN UP TO BE A MEMBER!**

We invite you to contact your local law enforcement agency and/or the Minnesota Crime Alert Network at (651) 793-1120 or [MCAN@state.mn.us](mailto:MCAN@state.mn.us) for more information, an application for membership, or apply online by following the steps below.

**Go to:**

**[www.crimealert.state.mn.us](http://www.crimealert.state.mn.us)**

Click on "Sign up to receive Crime Alerts and AMBER Alerts."

Sign up to receive alerts on specific crimes related to your business.

Choose your own password and a login will be assigned to you, so you can access and edit your online account.



It's FREE to receive AMBER Alerts!