

# City of Oconomowoc Police Department

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## Community Camera Program

Do you currently utilize private video surveillance at your home or business? If you do, we'd like to hear from you. Video surveillance is one of the best methods for apprehending and convicting suspects who are caught in the act of committing a crime. Installing video surveillance is a great example of community-police partnerships and something we highly value as a police agency serving our community.

### How Does it Work?

The Oconomowoc Police Department is committed to our partnership with the residents and business owners in our community. Many business owners and residents currently operate surveillance systems at their businesses and homes. As crimes occur nearby, they are not always aware that their system may have captured information that could help solve the crime, thus keeping our community safer. In turn, the police are not always aware who may have this potentially vital information. The Oconomowoc Police Department is asking residents and businesses across the city to register their privately owned surveillance camera systems. As we respond to criminal incidents, we may be able to use the information or footage gathered from the security cameras to assist in the apprehension and prosecution of the criminals involved.

### What are the Benefits of Registering your Camera?

By registering your camera with us, the department can quickly identify nearby cameras that may have captured criminal activity. After registering your camera, you would only be contacted by the Oconomowoc Police Department if there is a criminal incident in the vicinity of your security camera. Police personnel, if necessary, may request to view your camera footage in order to assist in the investigation. Help us make Oconomowoc an undesirable place for criminals to commit crime and help keep your entire community safe!

### Registration

If you would like to tell us that you have video surveillance and allow officers to contact you should a crime occur in or near where your cameras are installed, we kindly ask that you let us know by filling in our registration form and return it to the Oconomowoc Police Department. Information provided to the Oconomowoc Police Department regarding your camera systems will be for official use only. Your personal information will remain confidential and not be distributed except as required by law or court order.

Thank you for your interest in this program.

Sincerely,

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