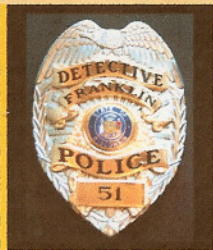


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Business Alert Network (B.A.N.) **Enlists Business Owners' Help**

In an effort to stay ahead of criminals the Franklin Police Department is seeking the help of local business owners through a program called "B.A.N." which establishes a Business Alert Network.

A questionnaire has been mailed to all Franklin businesses requesting owners provide contact names, Email addresses and Fax numbers for their businesses to the Crime Prevention Unit of the PD. Once the questionnaires are Faxed or mailed back the information supplied will be kept in a database to be used whenever criminal activity occurs at a Franklin business.

Here's how it works: *If, for instance, a "Till Tap" robber strikes at a convenience store, Police will respond and attempt to catch the suspect. While that takes place a description of what happened will quickly be entered into a Fax or Email form and then sent to all businesses in the area of the crime so that business owners and employees can be forewarned and on the lookout for the perpetrator(s). Suspect photos, clothing descriptions - getaway car - and M.O. descriptions can be rapidly transmitted to all businesses so extra eyes and ears will be assisting the Police.*

The system will also be used to regularly distribute Crime Prevention tips and suggestions. It operates similar to the Neighborhood Watch call chain and will go a long way toward preventing and solving crimes in our community.

IF YOU'RE A FRANKLIN BUSINESS OWNER WE NEED YOUR INVOLVEMENT TODAY!

DON'T BE A VICTIM OF CRIME

For more information about how to avoid being victimized contact any of the Franklin Police Dept. Crime Prevention Unit Officers by phone at 414-425-2522, or by email through our website: <http://www.franklinwi.gov/display/router.aspx?DocID=258>