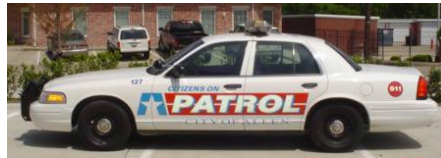




“Volunteers Policing Our Community”

COP Mission

The City of Allen Police Department’s Citizens on Patrol is a dedicated group of volunteers whose mission is to assist the Allen Police Department and the community by patrolling the streets, neighborhoods, businesses and parks in an effort to recognize suspicious activity, assist on-duty police officers, prevent crimes, establish a rapport with the Citizens of Allen, and recruit and train COP volunteers.



COP Objectives

- Deter crime with highly visible patrol and observation.
- Perform duties that enable officers to concentrate on higher priority patrol duty.
- Provide extra eyes and ears for the police in maintaining a safe environment within the community.

COP Members

- COPs are not Peace Officers, but are volunteers who partner with the Police Department to keep Allen, Texas a safe and desirable place to live and work.

COP Program Prerequisites

- Allen Citizens Police Academy—Informative twelve-week course on APD structure, operations, capabilities, and police officer responsibilities and tactics.
- COP Advanced Training—Instructed by APD officers to establish the skills necessary to operate the COP patrol car and equipment while performing all assigned tasks efficiently and safely.

COP Duty

- Residential & Business Patrol
- Crime Prevention
- Traffic Accident/Traffic Control
- Perimeter Control
- Motorist Assist
- Tow Truck Standby
- Homeland Security Inspections
- Handicap Parking Enforcement
- Open Garage Door Notification
- Park & Walk- Citizen Communication
- Nuisance Abatement: Sign Removal
- Event Support (Parades, Fun Runs, Allen USA Celebration)
- Sky Watch Tower Observation



COP members encourage citizens to be active in the community by attending the Citizens Police Academy and joining the COP program.

Additional information may be obtained from the Allen Citizens On Patrol website www.allencop.org, the Allen Police Department website www.cityofallen.org/police, COP Coordinator email cop@cityofallen.org or by contacting the APD Community Relations Department at 972-678-2500.