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## Tigard Police Joins Nextdoor Online Community

In an effort to expand outreach to the Tigard community, Tigard Police is now communicating using the increasingly popular social media network –Nextdoor. With this move, Tigard Police is able to use a platform that currently reaches 7,300 residents and continues to grow each month. Tigard Police will share information about upcoming events, crime trends, resources and seasonal prevention advice and will be able to send communications directly to those areas of the city impacted by crime. The City of Tigard has already successfully used Nextdoor to share information related to civic issues. The ability for police to engage with Tigard residents on this platform will provide a more comprehensive view of what is happening in Tigard.

It is important to emphasize that the Nextdoor platform allows a layer of privacy amongst users which prevents the department from viewing subscriber posts. There is an option for a member to select “Forward to Police” on a particular post. However, those forwarded posts will not be read immediately and shouldn’t be used in lieu of calling the police to report crime and suspicious activity.

Since Tigard Police stepped-into the social media arena in 2009, overall engagement with the community has indicated steady growth. Many studies show that most adults now prefer receiving official communication through an online method. In the effort to remain constant and in-touch with the community; Tigard Police will continue to explore ways to improve accessibility and communication. You can find Tigard Police on Nextdoor at: [www.nextdoor.com](http://www.nextdoor.com) Please consider joining and having access to trusted information aimed to help bolster our community livability.