

Mason County Adopts Crimereports.com

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SHELTON, Wash. - Those people who are concerned and want to monitor crime in their neighborhood can do so online thanks to an initiative undertaken by the Mason County Sheriff's Office. The Mason County Sheriff's Office has partnered with CrimeReports.com, the largest, most comprehensive crime-mapping website in the world. Local law enforcement agencies throughout North America partner with CrimeReports.com to bring citizens the most accurate, official, and up-to-date crime information for the areas you care about most. Visitors to the website can search and explore the [CrimeReports map](#) to see how it works, or choose the online video walkthrough to gain familiarity with the website. The website is capable of showing what crimes have occurred along with its case number, date, type of crime and investigating agency. By utilizing the case number, more information on a specific incident can be obtained through the public disclosure process through the investigating agency. "Fighting crime in the neighborhoods is all of our responsibility. We partnered with CrimeReports.com to give our citizens and our deputies some additional tools to help us help them." - Sheriff Casey Salisbury

Citizens can also receive crime monitoring updates and Official Alerts from law enforcement agencies through CrimeReports.com. CrimeReports is also available as an iPhone App. It can be downloaded right from the website. Sheriff Casey Salisbury said, "Fighting crime in the neighborhoods is all of our responsibility. We partnered with CrimeReports.com to give our citizens and our deputies some additional tools to help us help them." Although no formal, third-party study has been commissioned, there is anecdotal evidence to suggest that public-facing crime mapping helps our people be more vigilant and implement crime prevention efforts in their homes, workplaces, and communities. In addition, there is anecdotal evidence to suggest that public-facing crime mapping fosters more trust in local law enforcement by members of the community. Citizens can log on and go to <https://www.crimereports.com/> to find out what crimes have occurred in a specific area over a specific timeframe. This service is free to the public when individuals establish an account. The service is actually paid for by local law enforcement agencies and is free to our citizens. Sheriff Casey Salisbury also stated that, "Our deputies are using this service to identify crime patterns in our communities. By using the service deputies can quickly dedicate resources into a neighborhood to resolve crime issues."