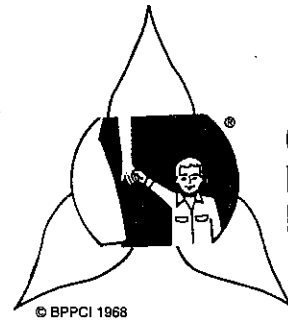


Building Safer Communities **BLOCK BY BLOCK**



**ONTARIO
BLOCK PARENT®
PROGRAM INC.**

WHAT IT MEANS TO BE A BLOCK PARENT

**Come join
our
Team**

**Volunteers
are
screened
by Police**

**Over
35 Years
of Building
Communities**

Since 1968 Ontario Block Parents have faithfully placed the red and white sign in their windows.

They may repeat the procedure every day, even though no one has ever come to their door seeking help. Most people are rarely called on because children learn at an early age to seek out Block Parents only during emergencies. A Block Parent home isn't somewhere children stop to go to the bathroom or get a drink of water. It's for emergency situations only and children know that.

A benefit of the Block Parent Program is that members can choose how much time they devote to the program. Some people may become actively involved in the organization, while others will simply display their sign and be available for those in distress. The choice is yours! If you want to become involved in doing school presentations or being part of the executive, that's wonderful. There is a lot you can do to be involved. We need active volunteers, but the most important role is being there for people in need of assistance.

Once someone has been screened and their application is approved, they receive a Block Parent sign. It's up to the individual Block Parent to determine when and how often they display the sign. You only display the sign in your window when you are available to answer the door.

Block Parents are not obligated to let anyone into their home. It's essential that Block Parents feel comfortable about joining the program and displaying the red and white sign.

The Ontario Block Parent Program would like to expand the program into more communities and make every corner of the province a little bit safer for people of all ages.

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