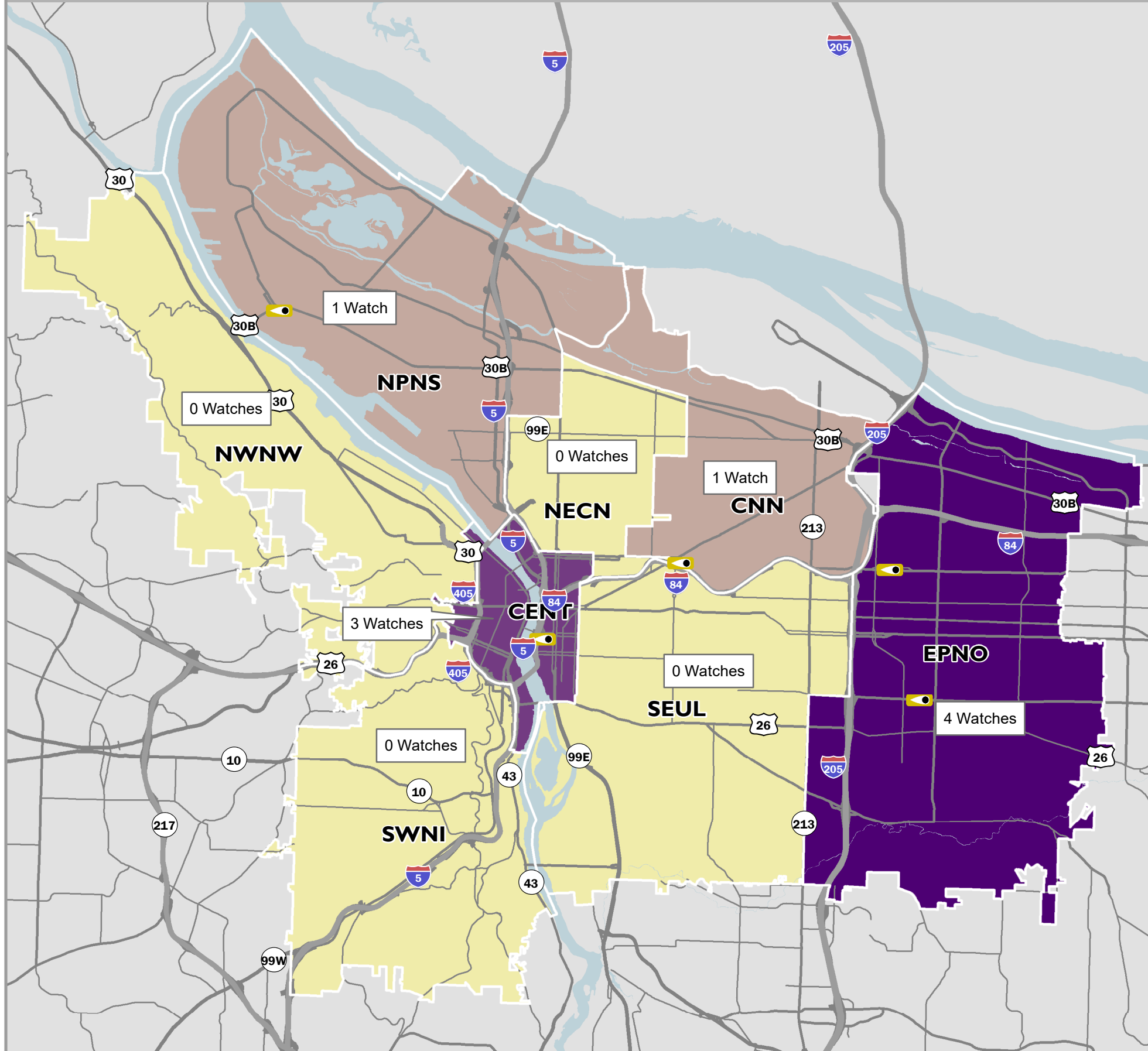


Crime Prevention Programs - Business Watch

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BUREAU NOTES

Overview

Portland's crime prevention services are offered through the Office of Neighborhood Involvement's, Crime Prevention team and are designed to reduce crime, increase livability, and get neighbors involved in community policing efforts. These services are provided by Crime Prevention Coordinators who are assigned to neighborhoods throughout the city. The services provided to the community by the City of Portland's Crime Prevention Coordinators (CPCs) fall into three broad areas: education, community organizing, and training on issues of crime and livability. You can find your Crime Prevention Coordinator at portlandoregon.gov/oni/76091.

Level of Service

Business Watch is a program designed to organize and connect businesses within designated areas in united crime prevention efforts. When neighboring businesses take the responsibility to build and maintain livable and cohesive relationships, those neighborhoods are less vulnerable to crime. The Business Watch program treats businesses in a specific geographic area as a small city or neighborhood. As in any neighborhood, residential or commercial, it is important for "neighbors" to know each other, have mechanisms for sharing information, and understand basic crime prevention and reporting techniques. This is accomplished by creating communication networks and improving observation and crime reporting skills. You can find more info to start a business watch group here <https://www.portlandoregon.gov/oni/75708>.

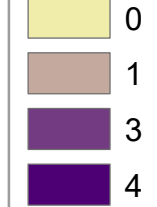
Map Discussion

Business Watch is often formed when owners and employees notice chronic problems and/or increase in crime and suspicious activities in their area. However, it is beneficial to organize one as a proactive measure. The Business Watch program does not fall under the category of Neighborhood Watch and requires separate training from Neighborhood Watch groups. There are only nine business watch groups in Portland but ONI is looking to increase support of these groups with targeted outreach.

LEGEND

Business Watch

Number of Watches



GIS Data Classification Method - Equal Interval

Mapping Geographies

- CENT** - Central City
- CNN** - Central Northeast Neighborhood
- EPNO** - East Portland Neighborhood Office
- NECN** - Northeast Coalition of Neighborhoods
- NPNS** - North Portland Neighborhood Services
- NWNW** - Neighbors West/Northwest
- SEUL** - Southeast Uplift Neighborhood Coalition
- SWNI** - Southwest Neighbors, Inc.

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