

Ten Things You Can Do To Prevent Graffiti

1. Get educated. Learn about graffiti, how it impacts your community, and who is responsible for graffiti prevention and clean-up in your area, www.sanantonio.gov/graffiti.
2. Report graffiti to the appropriate authorities.
3. [Organize a clean up](#). Contact the Housing and Neighborhood Services Department for free paint and supplies, (210)207-5430.
4. Plan a paint-brush mural to cover a wall plagued with graffiti.
5. Coordinate a graffiti awareness campaign at your school or in the community.
6. Remove graffiti within 24-48 hours. Rapid removal is key to success!
7. "[Adopt a spot](#)" in your school or community and make sure it stays clean and free of graffiti. Contact Keep San Antonio Beautiful, (210) 207-6460.
8. Grow Over Graffiti. Plant trees or other greenery near a graffiti-plagued wall.
9. **Ask your community to install lighting in areas that are dark and often hit with graffiti.**
10. Volunteer to help keep your community clean!

<http://www.graffitihurts.org/prevention/10things.jsp>

PRACTICE CPTED

Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) is a method used by architects, city planners, landscape and interior designers, and law enforcement to create a safer community through the physical environment. CPTED includes four strategies:

- **Territoriality** - Using fences, pavement treatments, art, signs, good maintenance, and landscaping to express ownership.
- **Natural Surveillance** - Placing physical features, activities, and people in ways that maximize the ability to see what's going on.
- **Activity support** - Encouraging legitimate activity in public spaces to discourage crime.
- **Access control** - Using properly located entrances, exits, fencing, landscaping, and lighting to discourage crime.

To get educated on CPTED, visit the [National Crime Prevention Council](#).

<http://www.graffitihurts.org/community/bestpractices.jsp#practice>



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SOLAR-POWERED MOTION DETECTOR LIGHT

APPLICATION



PLACE LIGHT UPON GRAFFITI

THROUGH A GRANT FROM GRAFFITI HURTS, FUNDING IS AVAILABLE FOR SOLAR-POWERED MOTION DETECTOR LIGHTS FOR THOSE PROPERTY OWNERS AFFECTED BY GRAFFITI VANDALISM.

ADDITIONAL FUNDING PROVIDED BY:



City of San Antonio

Housing and Neighborhood Services Department

www.sanantonio.gov/graffiti

HAVE YOU BEEN A VICTIM OF GRAFFITI VANDALISM?

Please answer the following questions to help determine eligibility to receive a FREE solar-powered motion detector light. Circle best answer.

1. Business or residential property ?
2. What is tagged with graffiti?
Fence
Building wall
House
Other _____
3. How often does the graffiti appear, on average?
Once every 6 months or so
Once a month
Once a week
Other _____
4. How quickly do you remove the graffiti?
Within 24-48 hours
I don't remove it, it's going to come back anyway
I rely on City staff to remove it
Other _____
5. Have you ever reported graffiti vandalism to the police? If so, how often? Case number?

6. Are you a senior citizen? Disabled? Veteran?

APPLICATION

Contact: _____

Business or neighborhood association name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: TX Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Alternate Phone: _____

Email address: _____

RULES

Unfortunately, not all applicants will receive a solar-powered motion detector light, as quantities are limited. For those who do, installation must be performed by the property owner, within two weeks of receiving the light. If the light is NOT installed within two weeks, the light will be returned to the City of San Antonio to be given to another qualified applicant.

Your signature ensures that you have read and understood the rules.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

CRITERIA

LIGHTING MUST BE INSTALLED IN AREAS THAT ARE DARK AND OFTEN HIT WITH GRAFFITI.

DEADLINE

Applications will be accepted from January 18th—February 26th, 2010.

All completed applications must be submitted to the Housing and Neighborhood Services

Department/Graffiti Abatement:

1. Via mail: City of San Antonio

PLUG Program

1400 S Flores

San Antonio, TX 78204

2. Online via the web at www.sanantonio.gov/graffiti.

3. Or via email at

Lisa.McKenzie@sanantonio.gov

PLUG program recipients will be notified by April 9, 2010.

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Need more information? Contact:

Lisa McKenzie

Housing and Neighborhood Services

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