

Eight Streets Neighborhood Association  
Monthly November 14th meeting

Project Place Common Room (1145 Washington Street)

**Boston Police: D4**

**Ritchie Litto & Brett Loycano: Crime trends and analysis in Eight Streets vs. previous years**

**Ritchie Litto: Crime prevention priorities and what we can all do to help**

Crime down 6% overall in the South End compared to last year's stats (2016)  
Measured from Jan 1 to Nov 12, year over year.

Boston Police need everyone who see or experience a crime to ensure that they report the crime. Reporting crimes is as simple as calling 911 for both emergency or non-emergency crime reporting, 911 dispatch will prioritize and label the crime no matter the severity.

Observations and safety tips:

Purse snatching noted at dusk: East Berkeley and Tremont - it is important for all to know that non-violent crimes take place at all hours of the day, not always in the early AM hours.

Courier package thefts continue to be an issue in the South End. Where possible, it is suggested that we take the opportunity to coordinate our packages to be left with various options like CVS, Foodies and local dry cleaners on E. Berkeley. Especially if we know that we won't be home to accept the package based on the estimated delivery window. Taking the local drop off options with couriers to leave packages with designated pick up locations will mitigate these thefts.

Please be on the look out for folks carrying green garbage bags which is a common way they do the package crime.

Remove valet key from your car manual which some thieves target knowing that many folks do not consider moving the valet key from this in-car location.

Lighting, number one deterrent, dusk to dawn

**Roof Deck Legalization: 23 Dwight Street (Jonathan Linehan and Allison Connolly)**

Letter of non-opposition will be forwarded from the Eight Streets Neighborhood Association

**Other agenda items:**

Louane: December Holiday local shopping event in Watson Park

Berkeley Community Gardens: Locked for Winter, clean up for 2017 is now finished

December 12th Annual Social at The Eagle