

EVERYONE'S DOWNTOWN NEIGHBORHOOD

KEEPING IT SAFE AND INVITING FOR ALL

IMPORTANT CONTACTS:

The Downtown Spokane Partnership (DSP) and City of Spokane ensure Spokane's living room is welcoming to everyone, including professionals, visitors, and residents. The City provides resources and a range of laws to maintain public safety for all businesses and people that have chosen Downtown Spokane as their neighborhood.

CALL 911 FOR EMERGENCIES

- If you witness **any crime or emergency in progress or which has just occurred**, call 911 immediately so that Police and/or first responders will arrive.

CALL CRIME CHECK 509-456-2233

- If you witness any **non-emergency criminal activity**, call the Crime Check Hotline at 509-456-2233, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Or, submit an on-line crime report at www.spokanecounty.org/crimecheck.
- If you observe criminal activity after-the-fact, report it to Crime Check. Simply registering criminal activity with Crime Check helps Police develop long-term plans for allocating limited resources where needed most.

CALL SECURITY AMBASSADORS 509-353-9111

FOR ALL DOWNTOWN SAFETY, HOSPITALITY, GRAFFITI ISSUES

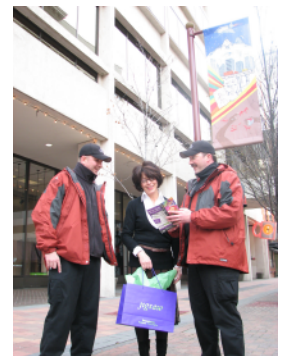
- Downtown Security Ambassadors are available for employee/customer escorts to parked cars, any type of street disturbance help, and can assist with jumpstarting stalled vehicles or other emergencies, just to name a few.
- Ambassadors also provide visitor directions for an inviting neighborhood environment. Their valuable services ensure safe and friendly on-street activity, improving the quality of life.
- To request graffiti removal, call the Security Ambassadors at 509-353-9111.
- Submit an online graffiti report: www.spokanepolice.org/ContactUs/graffiti

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

TO IMPROVE QUALITY OF LIFE

- If you see a law consistently broken (loitering or smoking, for instance), post signs that show it is illegal (the DSP can assist, if needed).
- Meet your Downtown Neighborhood Resource Officers by contacting the **Downtown/Greater Spokane COPS shop: 509-755-2677**
- Contact STA Plaza Security (for businesses in the immediate plaza vicinity): 509-444-6817

For questions about these tools, please contact Andrew Rolwes at the Downtown Spokane Partnership at 509-456-0580 x109, e-mail ARolwes@DowntownSpokane.net or visit DowntownSpokane.net.



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AVAILABLE TOOLS:*

1

PEDESTRIAN INTERFERENCE/ AGGRESSIVE PANHANDLING

It is a misdemeanor if a person intentionally obstructs pedestrian or vehicle traffic flow in a public place or aggressively solicits someone using conduct that would likely intimidate a reasonable person.

(City of Spokane Ordinance Section 10.10.025)

2

SIT AND LIE ORDINANCE

It is a misdemeanor if a person sits or lies on a public sidewalk or upon a blanket, chair, stool, or any other object, 7:00a.m.-9:00p.m. in the congested retail core.

The boundaries are generally Spokane Falls Blvd. on the north to Washington and Bernard St. on the east to First and Second Ave. on the south and to Monroe St. on the west.

A Police Officer must first advise violators and give reasonable time to comply. If they refuse to move or are contacted again, they may be cited.

(City of Spokane Ordinance Section 10.10.026)

3

PUBLIC CONSUMPTION/ OPEN CONTAINER

It is a class 3 civil infraction to open a liquor container or consume liquor in a public place, except as permitted by law.

(City of Spokane Ordinance Section 10.08.200)

4

TRESSPASSING

It is a misdemeanor to knowingly enter or remain unlawfully in or upon another's premises.

(City of Spokane Ordinance Section 10.12.050)

5

MALICIOUS MISCHIEF

It is an offense to knowingly and maliciously cause physical damage to property or write, paint, or draw any inscription, figure, or mark on any public or private building, structure, or personal property owned by another person without owner authorization.

(City of Spokane Ordinance Section 10.12.020)

6

GRAFFITI VANDALISM

It is an offense to intentionally deface public or private property, by etching, painting, spray painting, covering, gouging, drawing upon or otherwise placing a mark upon public or private property without owner authorization.

(City of Spokane Ordinance Section 10.10.070)

7

LITTER & RUBBISH

No owner or occupant of abutting property may allow the accumulation of litter on sidewalks or planting strips, whether or not such litter is deposited by such owner or occupant.

(City of Spokane Ordinance Section 10.08.010)

8

SMOKING PROHIBITED

Smoking is prohibited within a minimum distance of twenty-five feet from entrances, exits, open windows, and ventilation intakes that serve enclosed smoking prohibited areas to ensure tobacco smoke does not enter the area through entrances, exits, open windows, or other means.

(State of Washington RCW 70.160.075)

**The City of Spokane and State of Washington enacted laws that apply to many situations encountered in Downtown Spokane. However, the referred laws herein are provided as reference only and do not guarantee implementation or interpretation of the law. If you have specific concerns about law enforcement, please contact the Police Department or City of Spokane. The full City of Spokane ordinance language is available on the SpokaneCity.org web site.*