



GRAFFITI & YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD

**Howard County police
use a three-part enforcement strategy
to combat graffiti: Report, Record and Remove**

REPORT

If you observe graffiti in your community, please **REPORT** it to police immediately by calling the non-emergency line at **410-313-2200**. If you observe vandalism in progress, call **911**.

RECORD

HCPD will then **RECORD** the graffiti by documenting it and taking photos.

REMOVE

After police have documented and photographed the graffiti, police will ask the property owner to **REMOVE** the graffiti within 24 hours. Removing the graffiti quickly and completely often stops vandals because they do not receive attention or recognition. Graffiti incidents tend to increase in areas where it is not quickly addressed. Remember that prompt removal after police have documented the graffiti is key.

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