

VACAVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT



SAFE BUSINESS PROGRAM

AGENDA

I. Introduction

II. Program Review

III. Certification Process / Cost of Program

PART I: INTRODUCTION

- Community Response Unit (CRU)
- The Safe Business Program is the Vacaville Police Department's newest crime prevention program. It is the latest addition to an extensive list of services offered by VPD. The specified program is designed to benefit the community-at-large by providing safe business, within the city of Vacaville, via partnerships (i.e. business owners, citizens, city employees etc.).

PART II: PROGRAM REVIEW

- Five Basic Components
- Certification Process / Cost
- Directed enforcement by CRU

Five Basic Components: Retail

The Safe Business Retail component caters to larger scale shopping areas, such as the Outlets.

The safety areas of focus include, but are not limited to:

- ⦿ Identifying and combating organized retail theft
- ⦿ Improving parking lot security (i.e. cameras)
- ⦿ Safe Business Security and Policies Questionnaires
- ⦿ Partnerships between loss prevention, private security, and police
- ⦿ Information sharing between businesses

Five Basic Components: Industrial

The Safe Business Industrial component caters to manufacturing, distribution, and industrialized businesses, such as Amazon.

The safety areas of focus include, but are not limited to:

- Recognizing and addressing workplace violence
- Active shooter/intruder training
- Internal theft prevention
- Partnerships between private security and police

Five Basic Components: Service

The Safe Business Service component caters to hotels, restaurants, and service-styled businesses, such as Denny's and Motel 6.

The safety areas of focus include, but are not limited to:

- ⦿ Employee training on reporting crimes in progress
- ⦿ Identification of counterfeit currency
- ⦿ Human Trafficking training
- ⦿ Trespassing/Defrauding an Inn Keeper training
- ⦿ Parking lot security
- ⦿ Internal theft prevention
- ⦿ Partnerships/information sharing between private security and police

Five Basic Components: Small Business

The Safe Business Small Business component caters to smaller scaled businesses, also known as “Mom and Pop Shops.”

The safety areas of focus include, but are not limited to:

- Prevention of internal theft/loss
- Identification of counterfeit currency
- Employee training on reporting crimes in progress
- Transient Issues
- Partnerships with neighboring businesses
- Crime prevention through technology

Five Basic Components: Vacaville Entertainment Committee

The Vacaville Entertainment Committee is a collaborative comprised of the City's Development Team, Fire Department, Police Department, Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC), and local business owners who are stakeholders in the Vacaville nightlife.

The Vacaville Entertainment Committee's main objective is to improve Vacaville's downtown experience through partnerships and safety.

The Entertainment Committee's areas of focus include, but are not limited to:

- ⦿ Improving the overall safety and experience of Downtown Vacaville
- ⦿ Safe operations of late night bars, restaurants, and nightclubs
- ⦿ Special events / transportation issues (i.e. bollards)
- ⦿ Partnerships amongst neighboring businesses.
- ⦿ Improving safety through technology (i.e. PatronScan).
- ⦿ Addressing calls for service and businesses' concerns

PARTIII: CERTIFICATION PROCESS / COST

- ⦿ Business owner or manager attends Safe Business Program four hour training offered by the Vacaville Police Department.
- ⦿ Business undergoes a CPTED evaluation.
- ⦿ Business owner completes the certification process by passing a CPTED inspection of their facilities; which could mean following any noted recommendations.
 - Business inspections will likely be conducted by Detective Le'Ron Cummings, CSO Tonya Burroughs, and/or Gretchen Ash.
 - Personalized trainings will be done with businesses during inspection.

Cost of Program

- The Safe Business Program will be provided **FREE** of charge by the Vacaville Police Department. This includes, but is not limited to:
 - All initial and follow-up trainings
 - Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) inspections and questionnaires
 - Signage and window decals
 - Direct enforcement from CRU (temporary/ongoing issues)

FOR MORE INFORMATION

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