



**DO YOU  
SUSPECT  
ILLEGAL  
DRUG ACTIVITY  
IN YOUR  
NEIGHBORHOOD?**

*✓ Warning Signs of a  
Drug House  
✓ Steps to Rid Your  
Neighborhood  
of a Drug House*

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**Warning Signs  
of a  
Drug House**

- High Traffic: cars and pedestrians stopping for brief periods of time. Traffic may be cyclical; increasing at night or late at night. Traffic may be minimal for a few days and then intense for a few days, especially around pay days and the first of the month.
- Visitors appear to be acquaintances rather than friends.
- People bring valuables into the home, i.e., bikes, VCRs, cameras, etc., and leave empty handed.
- Visitors may sit in the car for a while after leaving the residence, or may leave one person in the car while the other visits.
- "Lookouts" are frequently younger people who tend to hang around the property during heavy traffic times.
- Obvious people exchanging small packets for cash, people using drugs in their cars, or any paraphernalia lying about in alleys or streets..
- Regular activity or commotion at extremely late hours, even on week nights (both cocaine and methamphetamine are stimulants and users tend to stay up late at night).

**Steps to Rid Your  
Neighborhood of a  
Drug House**

- Hold a neighborhood meeting to talk about the problem. **Do not** invite suspects. **Do** invite law enforcement.
- Many drug houses are rentals. Contact your local records department to locate the homeowner. Send them a letter saying that you will not put up with this activity.
- Have neighborhoods fill out the log sheet on the back of this flier, or designate one person in charge who others may contact.
- After you have recorded several entries on the log, contact the Nebraska State Patrol at 1-800-SIC-WEED. Tell them about your observations and ask what you should do with your log. Once you have given the information to law enforcement, **be patient**. Many drug investigations are undercover and you may not notice any action. Continue to record and report suspicious behavior every couple of weeks.
- The two keys to closing a drug house are persistence and patience. **Don't give up!** Many drug houses have been shut down through citizen input. You have the right to live in a safe environment. If we work together, we can clean up these problems.

**1-800-SIC-WEED**

