



MCGRUFF HOUSE PROGRAM APPLICATION FORM

APPLICANT'S NAME: _____ TODAY'S DATE: _____

NAME OF NEIGHBORHOOD SCHOOL: _____

INFORMATION IS REQUIRED FOR ALL MEMBERS OF THE HOUSEHOLD 18 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER.
PLEASE DO NOT INCLUDE CHILDREN UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE.

(PLEASE PRINT)

Full Name of Applicant: _____ Maiden Name: _____
(As appears on driver's license or official identification)

Date of Birth: _____ McGruff Sign Number: _____
(If you are a current sign holder)

Home Address: _____ Home phone: _____

E-mail: _____ (if available) Number of years as NEBR resident _____

- ❖ I understand the purpose and the responsibilities of the McGruff House program and confirm that the information given in this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I also authorize the Omaha Police Department to conduct criminal history record checks on all persons listed on this form.

Signature _____

Name of Household Member: _____
(As appears on driver's license or official identification)

Date of Birth: _____

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If there are additional household members over 18 years, please use another application form.

THANK YOU !

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY:

Background check completed on: _____

McGruff House Sign #: _____

Date of First Approval: _____

Date of Renewal: _____

Processed By: _____

MCGRUFF HOUSE INFORMATION

IMPORTANT: Please read the McGruff House information below and then COMPLETE REVERSE SIDE of this form. Return the completed form to your neighborhood school or the Omaha Police Department (address is below)

Thank you for your interest in becoming a McGruff House. This program is intended to assist in keeping our young people safe and secure should they find themselves in an emergency or frightening situation.

RESPONSIBILITIES/ DUTIES AS A MCGRUFF HOUSE PARTICIPANT

- Telephone appropriate authorities for help
- Reassure and aid child who is frightened or lost
- Assist child who has medical emergency by calling appropriate help
- Assist those who are in immediate fear of becoming victims of personal crime, child abuse, gangs, or bullies.
- Report crimes and suspicious activities to law enforcement and provide description of vehicles and suspects when possible.

PROCEDURES FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE MCGRUFF HOUSE PROGRAM

- ▶ An important safeguard of this program is the criminal history record check. This is conducted by local law enforcement agency of all household residents **18 years of age and older**. These checks are to be performed each school year. Reasons for denial include, but are not limited to, an arrest or conviction of any felony crime, serious misdemeanor, or offenses involving moral turpitude with minors.
- ▶ All criminal history record checks will be kept confidential. Denied applicants will be sent notification from the police department. The reason for denial is available upon written request.
- ▶ After this form is completed, please return it to your school McGruff Chairperson for processing or mail it to the Omaha Police Department. Once the application is approved, a numbered sign will be issued to the participant and delivered to them by the school chairperson. **McGruff House signs are the property of the Omaha Police Department and MUST be returned upon leaving the program** or on denial of a re-application. Lost signs will NOT be replaced. Thank you for your cooperation.
- ▶ Upon receipt of the McGruff House sign, **place it in a front window visible to children from the street**. Make sure trees or shrubs are trimmed so the sign is not blocked from view.
- ▶ Grandparents, aunts, uncles, senior citizens are strongly encouraged to participate in this very important program. Having school age children is NOT REQUIRED to become a McGruff House

Note: PLEASE COMPLETE INFORMATION ON REVERSE SIDE OF THIS FORM

The McGruff House Program is coordinated by:
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