



**Building Relationships Today
For Stronger Neighborhoods Tomorrow
and A Better Community For All**

How to Be a Good Neighbor

Taking the time to be a good neighbor has a great deal of benefits. The community will be friendlier, the neighborhood safer, and the area a nicer and more comfortable place to live.

Introduce yourself

These days everyone is so busy, too many of us don't know our neighbors, even if we have lived in the neighborhood for some time. Say "Hello" and find out who they are.



Keep the noise level down

Playing music loudly or having people in loud cars visit all day, every day, will alienate neighbors. If you are planning a party, let neighbors know. Leave them a telephone number to contact you if they need to ask you to turn down music or reduce noise levels. If you get along well with your neighbors, why not invite them too?

Respect your neighbor's property

If you borrow something, be sure to return it in a timely fashion. Don't cut down a tree that your neighbor uses for shade just because part of it's on your property. Be aware and considerate and you will be a great neighbor.

Maintain your property

Many neighborhoods have one - the unkempt house. Junky houses with overgrown lawns and cars parked in the front yard are not only an eyesore, but they also bring down property values in the neighborhood.

Neighborhood tips

your source for tips and information on what makes Owasso Neighborhoods Strong

Communicate regularly

This will keep everyone in the loop of anything going on in the neighborhood that may be suspicious or needs addressed. Communicating also helps share news of special events, what is happening in the neighborhood, etc.

Be responsible of your pets

When walking your dog, (must be leashed) take along a baggie with you to pick up waste with and then dispose of it properly. Also be mindful of free roaming cats; if they are becoming a nuisance, kindly speak to the owner about the situation.

Be helpful

Relationships are forged from kindness. Offer to mow an elderly neighbor's lawn or watch the house of a neighbor who will be away. Say "Hi" or wave when your neighbors are outside. Gestures like these will be sure to break the ice.



**Living in a good neighborhood is not a right;
it is a responsibility for all of us to do our part.**

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