

**Title:**

Watch Jefferson County, online neighborhood watch and crime reports in Jefferson County, WV

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**Abstract:**

Watch Jefferson County is a free community driven website integrating community members and law enforcement offering real time reporting and a searchable database of criminal activity and accident logs dating back to January 2001. Members are notified instantly by email or text message when incidents, suspicious activity or crime is reported nearby. Watch Jefferson County currently has over 500 active members located throughout Jefferson County. In the three years that this program has been online, it has demonstrated the effectiveness of leveraging web based information systems at the grassroots level to improve cooperation and communication between Law Enforcement and concerned citizens, improve public safety, and fight and deter crime.