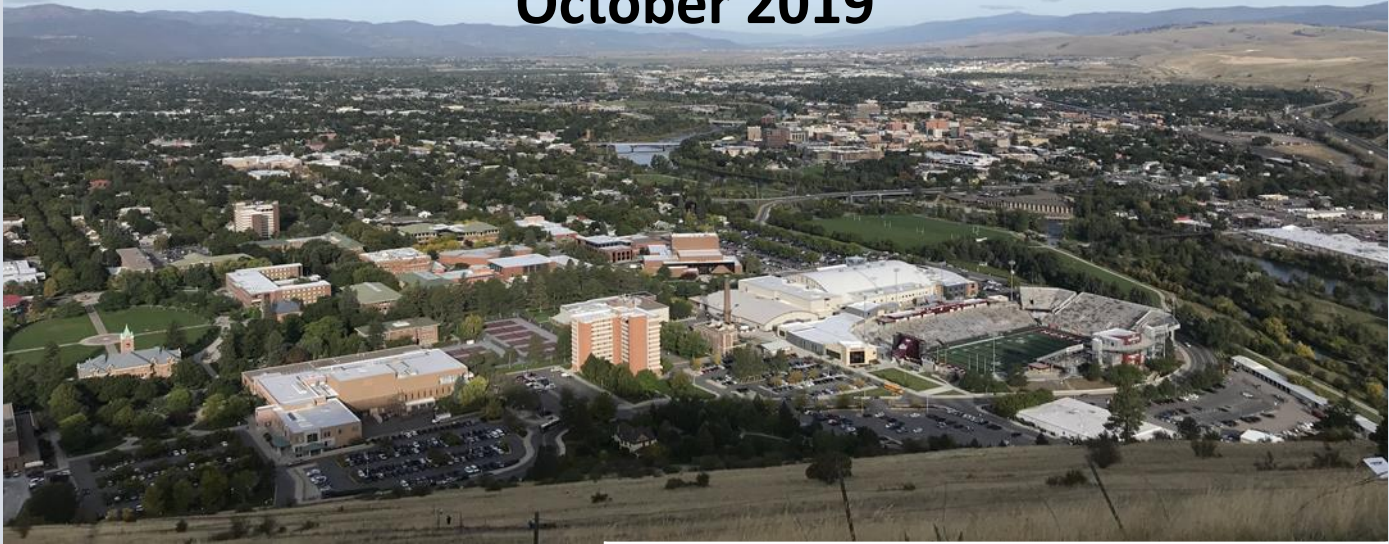


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‘Neighborhood Watch’ is an organization of concerned citizens who look out for their neighborhoods and each other. Initiated in the 1960s, Neighborhood Watch is one of the oldest and most effective crime prevention concepts in the USA. Today’s Neighborhood Watch focuses on observation and reporting of suspicious activity, not engagement with suspicious individuals.

Missoula Neighborhood Watch (MNW) consists of General Members and a Board of Directors. Membership in MNW is open to all Missoula County citizens. Missoula Office of Neighborhoods, the Police Department and the Sheriff’s Office play active roles in MNW.

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Avoiding SCAMS

Check out these organizations and websites for helpful information:

- FBI Website: www.fbi.gov
- Internet Fraud: www.ic3.gov or 800-251-7581
- Mail Fraud: www.postalinspectors.uspis.gov or 877-876-2455
- Telemarketing Fraud: www.ftc.gov or 877-382-4357 (Federal Trade Commission)
- Montana Department of Consumer Affairs: 406-444-4500
- Missoula County Sheriff's Office:
<https://www.missoulacounty.us/government/public-safety/sheriff-s-office>
<https://www.facebook.com/MissoulaCountySheriffsOffice/>
- Missoula Police Department:
<https://www.ci.missoula.mt.us/332/Police-Department>
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OCTOBER IS NATIONAL CYBERSECURITY AWARENESS MONTH

Learn how you can get involved at
STAYSAFEONLINE.ORG/NCSAM



Own IT

Understand Your Digital Profile

Internet-based devices are present in every aspect of our lives: at home, school, work, and on the go. Constant connection provides opportunities for innovation and modernization, but also presents opportunities for potential cybersecurity threats that can compromise your most important personal information. Understand the devices and applications you use every day to help keep you and your information safe and secure.

Secure IT

Secure Your Digital Profile

Cybercriminals are very good at getting personal information from unsuspecting victims, and the methods are getting more sophisticated as technology evolves. Protect against cyber threats by learning about security features available on the equipment and software you use. Apply additional layers of security to your devices—like multi-factor authentication—to better protect your personal information.

Protect IT

Maintain Your Digital Profile

Every click, share, send, and post you make creates a digital trail that can be exploited by cybercriminals. To protect yourself from becoming a victim, you must understand, secure, and maintain your digital profile. Be familiar with and routinely check privacy settings to help protect your privacy and limit Internet-enabled crimes.