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The Fort Thomas Police department is excited to announce a partnership with Ring to include the Neighbors by Ring App. On January 29, 2020, Fort Thomas PD will be using the App and an announcement will be made by Ring to notify current users.

The Neighbors by Ring app allows anyone, whether or not they have a Ring device to upload security video footage to assist law enforcement in keeping our neighborhood even safer. Users who download the app can also share community alerts or topics for example "River road is closed due to high water, from Shawnee to Route 8", suspicious activity, community events, safety concerns, unknown visitors and lost pets just to name a few. With those topics listed, the Fort Thomas PD still encourages users/residents to call 911 or Campbell county dispatch at 859-292-3622 for emergencies and to make an official report. The Neighbors by Ring App will not be monitored 24/7 by the police department.

In the event that an alert is received for users to share video, a request will be made to a specific area of the city through the Neighbors App. The users can remain anonymous and still share videos. Ring and the Fort Thomas PD will not have access to the resident's devices video unless it is shared, users have the option to share or opt out of notifications if they do not wish to participate. We respect our resident's privacy in this partnership. In the event that an alert is received, it should be from a username such as "Detective Dutle 4449" or something of the sorts.

The App can be downloaded for free on a wireless smart device or tablet. If a resident has any questions or concerns, please feel free to reach out to Fort Thomas Police via phone at 859-441-6562 or in person.

In closing, obviously the police cannot be everywhere at all times. We rely on our citizens to be our eyes and ears. Together we can keep Fort Thomas the safest and best community in Kentucky.

Sincerely,

Detective Wayne Dutle