

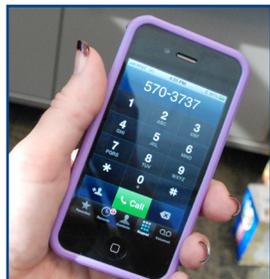
Tagging is a Crime

The Best Defense: Prompt Cleanup

Taggers do not get satisfaction when their work is painted over or removed. You can help by reporting the location or cleaning it up.

Report It

- ❑ Call the Graffiti Hotline: 360.570.3737
- ❑ Email: graffiti@ci.olympia.wa.us
- ❑ File a police report



Graffiti Hotline

The hotline gathers information and identifies trends. Police volunteers monitor the hotline and respond, to document and photograph the graffiti. Referrals are made to property owners requesting removal.

In your message, include the physical location and description of the graffiti. Contact information is encouraged, but not required.

Filing a Police Report

Call non-emergency dispatch at 360.704.2740 to file a police report. If you witness a crime in progress, call 9-1-1.

Report Suspicious Activity

It can be difficult to successfully prosecute a graffiti case unless someone actually witnesses the crime in progress. This truly is a crime that the public can help fight by keeping neighborhoods free of graffiti and reporting suspicious activity.

Taking Pictures Helps

Taking pictures of graffiti before it is removed assists the Olympia Police Department, and helps gather information about any possible gang activity in the area. Just email pictures to graffiti@ci.olympia.wa.us. Please be sure to include the location of the tagging and the date the pictures were taken.

Help Clean it Up

Graffiti Removal Kits Available

See tagging on City property and want to help? Have a problem with graffiti in your neighborhood? The City of Olympia provides free graffiti removal kits to recognized Neighborhood Associations and Block Watch neighborhoods.

- To request a kit, call the Graffiti Hotline at 360.570.3737, or email graffiti@ci.olympia.wa.us.
- If emailing, be sure to include the Neighborhood Association or Block Watch group you are representing, your name and contact information.
- If you are not part of a Neighborhood Association or Block Watch and you would like to make your own graffiti removal kit, visit olympiawa.gov/graffiti for information on how to make your own.

