



NO SOLICITING MEANS NO SOLICITING
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Emerald Park C.O.P. member Patti Noe is protective of her neighborhood and supportive of her community. Many of the residents within her community are elderly. Elderly members of our community grew up in an era where a handshake was your word and your word could always be trusted. Sadly, this very trait can cause the elderly to be a popular target of scams and other fraud crimes in today's times. In an attempt to deter this kind of activity from her neighborhood, Patti placed "No Soliciting" signs at each entrance to Emerald Park. Unfortunately, they are not always effective; as was the case on August 25, 2009.

A male solicitor entered the area knocking on doors and asking for money. Patti called 911 and immediately notified South District patrol supervisors with an email describing the subject and his vehicle. When officers responded, the subject was leaving the area and committed a traffic infraction permitting them to make a stop of his vehicle. After identifying the subject, he was arrested on an outstanding warrant. The suspect was a known thief who was well-known by the officers who worked the area.

Thanks to Patti and her compassion for members of her community, Emerald Park community members are safer and well looked after.