

- Are there seldom-used sections of my property where people loiter or hang out?

To address these concerns, incorporate design elements that help distinguish between public and private property.

For businesses and residences, this can be done through well placed markers, flower beds, low fences, walls, hedges, signage, and regular maintenance.

Maintenance & Management

Once the proper image is created, it must be kept up in order to show pride of ownership. The more pride of ownership that is projected, the less likely the area is to attract criminal activities and vandalism. If not kept up, those activities appear to be acceptable there.

These are some of the ways to incorporate CPTED theories at your location, whether business or residential. To request a CPTED site survey or further information, contact CSO Nancy Sawyer at (707) 467-5708.

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Share Your Thoughts

The Ukiah Police Department's mission is simple: to make Ukiah as safe as possible. If you have any suggestions or comments about how we can improve, please complete our online survey.

If you would like to know more about crime in your neighborhood, you can sign up for telephone, cell phone and email notifications by clicking the Nixle button at www.ukiahpolice.com. You can also leave crime tips on our website.

Who Do I Call?

Emergency 9-1-1

Call 9-1-1 for any life-threatening emergency or crime in progress.

Non-Emergency (707) 463-6262

Online Crime Report: ukiahpolice.com

Business Office (707) 463-6241

Monday - Thursday 8:00 am - 4:00 pm



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CPTED

Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design



CRIME PREVENTION THROUGH ENVIRONMENTAL DESIGN

CPTED is a crime prevention approach based on the theory that the built environment influences people's behavior. The proper design and effective use of the built environment can reduce the incidence and fear of crime, thereby improving the quality of life.

Crime decreases if the opportunity to commit the crime is reduced or eliminated. CPTED works by eliminating criminal opportunities in and around your property. This can result in your property being a less appealing target.

CPTED CONCEPTS

Natural Surveillance is a design concept directed primarily at keeping intruders under observation. The primary goal of a surveillance strategy is to facilitate observation; it may also help to create an increased perception of risk to the offender.

- Does landscaping or fencing obscure the view to my property from neighboring properties?
- Are there any areas around my doors or windows where a person could hide?
- Are there areas of contrast or shadow around my property where intruders can loiter without being seen?

To address any of the above concerns, consider adding motion sensitive lights, reducing or pruning trees and shrubs, or altering fencing so intruders can be seen.

Natural Access Control is a design concept directed primarily at decreasing crime opportunity. The primary goal of an access control strategy is to deny access to a crime target and to create a perception of risk to the offender.

- Do people routinely trespass on my property and/or fence line?
- Can people trespass on my property without being seen by others?
- Do people access my property in ways other than I intended?
- Do any existing access routes lack natural surveillance?

To address any of the above concerns, consider better control of undesired movements onto and within your property. Install landscaping, fencing or barriers to increase the chances of an intruder being seen when entering or exiting your property.

When selecting fencing or landscaping materials, consider the maintenance

requirements and the impact that full-grown landscaping would have on your ability to see intruders trespassing on your property.

Territorial Reinforcement is that sense of ownership that a design creates for the space. It encourages or promotes activity that instills a sense of ownership and expands the sphere of influence over that space.

- Do strangers regularly trespass on my property?
- Is my property being used as a short cut?
- Does my property ever have an un-lived-in or unkempt appearance?

