Tips for New Neighbors

A Public Service Message from the City of Burlington Code Enforcement Office

- **Introduce yourself to neighbors.** Neighbors who know each other can watch out for each other and keep the neighborhood safe. Smile and say “hi” once in a while.

- **Keep your turf clean.** Garbage neatly covered, no vehicles on lawn or blocking sidewalk, no broken furniture on porches, no bottles or cups on lawns, no cigarette butts, etc.

- **Keep it low profile:** Minimize gatherings on front porches and yards after 10:00 pm. No open alcoholic containers off private property. **Limit the number of people at gatherings** and ask for police help if a party is crashed or is getting out of control (658-2700; for emergencies dial 911).

- **Loud sounds and noise should not be heard beyond the property line:** the City noise ordinance applies 24 hours a day. People outdoors or arriving or leaving should stay quiet during late hours. Fireworks are illegal and a fire hazard.

- **Dog owners: scoop the poop!**

- **Please drive carefully through the neighborhood** and watch out for children, pets, walkers, and cyclists.

- **Use common sense:** keep windows, doors, and vehicles locked when unattended and keep grills and barbecues off porches and 10 feet from buildings.

**Something strange in the neighborhood?** Here are some handy numbers:
- Police/Fire Emergency: 911
- Burlington Police: 658-2704 non-emergency
- Vermont Tenants Inc.: 864-0099 for rights of renters
- Burlington Community Support Program: 658-2704 ext 338 for help with neighbor relations or disputes
- Burlington Code Enforcement Office: 863-0442 for housing safety

**Thanks For Keeping the Neighborhood a Great Place to Live !**