

“Are You OK ...?”

The North Broward Hospital District, the Broward Sheriff's Office and the City of Deerfield Beach is asking.

The **“Are You OK?”** program is designed for seniors, disabled persons, shut-ins or anyone in our community who needs to be checked on regularly.

“Are You OK?” is a computerized telephone calling system which will be donated by the North Broward Hospital District and operated Free of Charge by the Broward Sheriff's Office. The system calls each enrolled subscriber every day of the year at the same time of the day.

When the subscriber picks up the phone he or she will hear a voice saying, “Good morning, are you okay?” If the subscriber fails to answer the phone after several tries, or if there is a busy signal several times in a row, the computer immediately notifies the Broward Sheriff's Office who will then try telephoning personally. If no verification can be obtained, a patrol car will be dispatched to check on the person. During times when the subscriber plans to be away, a single call 24 hours in advance to the Broward Sheriff's Office will stop the calls for as long as needed.

The system is now in use in hundreds of cities and towns throughout the Country. It has saved a number of lives and reduced worry and anguish for countless citizens and their family and friends.

There is no charge of any kind for this service.

Each subscriber will be asked to choose an hour which he or she prefers to be called. The calls will always be made in the same order, so people will quickly learn exactly when to expect them.

Everyone who signs up for this service will be asked to fill out a short form with medical and other information which the Broward Sheriff's Office may need in an emergency. This information will be kept totally confidential by the Broward Sheriff's Office.

If you wish to sign up or know someone that may be in need of this service, call the City of Deerfield Beach Senior Services at 480-4441. For additional information call the Broward Sheriff's Office, Deerfield Beach District at 480-4300.



This Program is possible through a kind donation from the North Broward Hospital District and the support of the Broward Sheriff's Office and the City of Deerfield Beach.