

*“The three-way involvement of the Police department(s), sheriff’s office and the community as represented by older leaders and those who work with seniors is powerful. Working together on TRIAD can lead to future joint endeavors of equal importance and benefit.”*

~ **National Institute of Justice**

### **TRIAD of Washington County Initiatives**

- Establishment of local S.A.L.T. Councils
- Workshops on local crime, personal and home safety, scams/frauds
- Availability of personal and home safety devices
- Residential outreach by local police and sheriff
- Police training of seniors to participate in Operation Identification
- Resource library for S.A.L.T. Councils

### **PROGRAMS AVAILABLE**

**Personal Safety**  
**Scam Prevention**  
**Burglary Prevention**  
**Buddy System**  
**Property I.D.**  
**Elder Abuse**

**\* SENIORS**  
**\* AND**  
**\*LAW ENFORCEMENT**  
**\*TOGETHER**

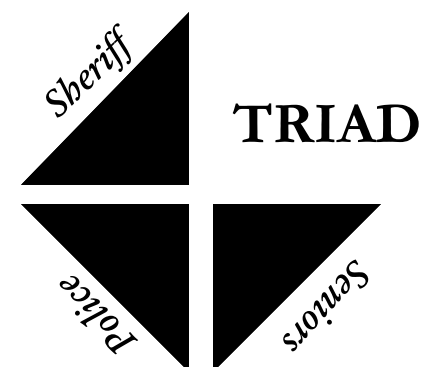
**Washington County S.A.L.T. Council meets the first Thursday of each month, excluding July, at 2:00 p.m. at:**

**Trinity Assembly of God**  
**617 University Parkway**  
**Johnson City TN 37601**  
**423-926-4061**



**For Emergencies**  
**Call 911**

## **WASHINGTON COUNTY**



## **S.A.L.T. COUNCIL**

**Washington County**  
**TRIAD**

**Help Line**  
**423-926-0140 or**  
**211**

# TRIAD

TRIAD means a three way commitment among the sheriff, the chiefs of police within the county and a senior citizens group. They agree to work together to reduce the crime victimization of the elderly and enhance the delivery of law enforcement services to older persons.

A major purpose of the TRIAD is to develop, expand, and implement effective crime prevention and education programs for senior citizens of the community. Activities center on both pre-victimization (preventative) and post victimization (victim-witness assistance).

TRIAD works to improve the quality of life for seniors. It provides an opportunity for the exchange of information between law enforcement and senior citizens. TRIAD focuses on reducing unwarranted fear of crime.

TRIAD on the community level is implemented by a S.A.L.T. Council composed of:

- \*Seniors
- \*Police, sheriff, District Attorney representatives
- \*Protective service personnel
- \*Area Agency on Aging and Disability
- \*Other community support persons
- \*AARP

## What does TRIAD do?

- **EMPOWER**—Seniors provide the leadership on the S.A.L.T. Council and in determining its direction.
- **EDUCATE**—Information on criminal activity and prevention is compiled and made available.
- **COMMUNICATE**—Material is distributed through workshops, newsletters, health fairs, etc.
- **REACH OUT**—Visitation is provided to increase security to isolated seniors.
- **FORGE LINKS**—Bridges to civic organizations are facilitated to improve assessment/services.
- **ADVOCATE**—Seniors interact with government leaders to affect legislative planning.

## What Can Result?

1. Improved relations between seniors and police.
2. Increased cooperation between law enforcement and service providers.
3. Reduced criminal victimizations through increased awareness.
4. Enhanced quality of life for seniors characterized by a reduction in fear and increased confidence.
5. Expanded knowledge of services available to seniors.
6. Greater senior involvement through volunteering.
7. Enhanced self-esteem resulting from an ability to affect change and to improve the community.
8. More understanding of policing procedures through participation in citizen police academies.