



# HELP US STOP GRAFFITI & TAGGING!

## FOR A SAFER, CLEANER COMMUNITY

### GRAFFITI IS A CRIMINAL OFFENSE!

Willful damage or destruction of property can be punishable with up to a **10-year** prison sentence.

Anyone caught vandalizing public and private property will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law.

### WHY GRAFFITI COSTS US ALL:

- Gives the impression that no one cares
- Leads to increased graffiti and crime
- Hurts business growth and tourism
- Wastes tax dollars on cleanup
- Reduces property value
- Decreases residents feelings of safety
- Clean up hurts small businesses on tight budgets

[graffitihurts.org](http://graffitihurts.org)

### WHAT TO DO IF YOU HAVE BEEN TAGGED?

File a report with law enforcement immediately:

- For incidents in progress call **911**
- For incidents in Asheville City call APD **252-1110**
- For County incidents call the Sheriff's Office **250-6670**
- Promptly remove the tag after reporting it



### HELP CLEAN UP THE STREETS!

Call Crimestoppers if you have information regarding graffiti incidents. You could be eligible for a cash reward if your information leads to an arrest.

**CRIME STOPPERS**  
**255-5050**