Halloween Safety Tips

- Decorate costumes and bags with reflective tape or stickers and if possible, choose light colors.
- Choose face paint and makeup whenever possible instead of masks, which can obstruct a child’s vision.
- Have kids carry glow sticks or flashlights (with fresh batteries) to help them see and be seen by drivers.
- When selecting a costume, make sure it is the right size to prevent trips and falls.
- Children under the age of 12 should not be alone at night without adult supervision.
- Only visit well-lit houses. Do not enter homes of strangers.
- Cross the street at corners, using traffic signals and crosswalks. Look left, right and left again when crossing and keep looking as you cross.
- Always walk on sidewalks or paths. If there are no sidewalks, walk facing traffic as far to the left as possible. Children should walk on direct routes with the fewest street crossings.
- Watch for cars that are turning or backing up. Teach children to never dart out into the street or cross between parked cars.
- Don’t eat any candy or treats until it has been inspected for tampering by an adult.
- Avoid candy that has loose wrappings, is unwrapped, has puncture holes, or is homemade.
- Don’t approach unfamiliar pets or animals.

In case of an emergency dial 911 or 301-352-1200 for non-emergencies