



## City of Phoenix

### Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) Lighting

#### Exterior Lighting

- Use LED lighting
  - LED lights are cheaper to operate, longer lasting, and provide more uniform light which reduces shadows and makes it easier to see.
- Keep trees, plants, and foliage from blocking light sources.
- Use lighting to mark features, such as walkways and entries/exits:
  - This helps control the movement of people and allows people to see when someone is there.
- Point lighting down and away from other properties:
  - Directional lighting maximizes the efficiency of the light and makes it easier to see objects and people.
- Turn lights on from dusk until dawn:
  - Electric lighting timers work great.
- Protect light sources with tamper and weather-resistant housings.
- Use motion sensing lights:
  - These lights can be used in areas less frequented and bring attention to people who are entering secluded areas;
  - Lighting that gets brighter when people approach is another option for businesses that are not open at night.
- Make sure the lighting is not too bright:
  - Overly bright lighting makes it difficult to see and causes issues with glare.

#### Interior lighting

- Make sure the entire interior of the building can be illuminated:
  - If the business is closed at night, the interior does not need to be illuminated as if it was operating;
  - Customers feel safer when there is adequate lighting.
- Use LED lights
  - LED lighting lasts longer and is more efficient than older lighting types.