



SYSTEMATIC SOCIAL OBSERVATION (SSO) LOG

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DATE _____ TIME _____ WEATHER CONDITIONS _____

Name of Coder: _____

1. **BLOCK ID** (e.g. 500 Block of Pershing St. Chicago IL 60653) _____

2. **NEAREST STREET INTERSECTION** _____

3. **DIRECTION OF TRAVEL**

1. North
2. South
3. East
4. West

4. **BLDG#** (real building number, or # building after identified intersection) _____

5. **TYPE OF PROPERTY USE**

1. Commercial
2. Residential
3. Mixed
4. Vacant Lot

6. **IS THERE A SIDEWALK ON THE PROPERTY?**

1. No
2. Yes

7. **WHAT IS THE CONDITION OF THE SIDEWALK?**

0. N/A (no sidewalk)
1. Very good (seems relatively new, or in excellent condition without minor cracks, even surface without)
2. Good (minor cracks but even surface)
3. Fair (minor to major cracks, uneven surface)
4. Poor (major cracks, uneven surface, but not missing any segments)
5. Very poor (major cracks, severely uneven surface that seems like a trip hazard, missing segments)

8. IS THERE A FENCE ON THE PROPERTY?

- 1. No
- 2. Yes

9. WHAT TYPE OF FENCE IS ON THE PROPERTY?

- 1. Metal
- 2. Plastic
- 3. Wood

10. WHAT IS THE CONDITION OF THE FENCE ON THE PROPERTY?

- 0. N/A
- 1. Very good (seems relatively new, with no signs of needing any painting; stands completely upright)
- 2. Good (needs minor paint job and/or cleaning; but stands completely upright)
- 3. Fair (needs minor to major painting and/or cleaning, stands fairly upright)
- 4. Poor (material is rotten, rusty, or damaged, clearly needs major painting and/or cleaning; stands less than fairly upright)
- 5. Very poor (material is rotten, very rusty, or damaged, clearly needs major painting and/or cleaning; fallen or near fallen condition)

11. IS THERE A LAWN ON THE PROPERTY?

- 1. No
- 2. Yes

12. WHAT IS THE CONDITION OF THE LAWN ON THE PROPERTY?

- 0. N/A
- 1. Very good (grass seems very healthy, to have been freshly cut, and clear of weeds)
- 2. Good (grass seems relatively healthy, to have been freshly cut, relatively clear of weeds)
- 3. Fair (grass seems fairly healthy, fairly overgrown, with some weeds)
- 4. Poor (grass seems quite unhealthy, seems overgrown, with many weeds)
- 5. Very poor (grass seems very unhealthy, very overgrown, with many weeds)

13. ARE THERE STAIRS LEADING TO A BUILDING ON THE PROPERTY?

- 1. No
- 2. Yes

14. WHAT IS THE CONDITION OF STAIRS LEADING TO PROPERTY?

- N/A
- 1. Very good (seems relatively new and/or in excellent condition)
- 2. Good (seem in good condition without any cracks or uneven surfaces)
- 3. Fair (seem in fair condition, with minor cracks and fairly even surfaces)
- 4. Poor (seem not to be properly maintained, with major cracks and uneven surfaces)
- 5. Very poor (major cracks, missing segments, very uneven surfaces)

15. IS THERE A BUILDING ON THE PROPERTY?

1. No 2. Yes

16. HOW MANY STORIES TALL IS THE BUILDING ON THE PROPERTY? _____

17. WHAT IS THE CONDITION OF THE BUILDING ON THE PROPERTY?

N/A

1. Very good (needs no repairs or painting)
2. Good (needs minor painting, but no repairs)
3. Fair (needs minor repairs and minor painting; or no repairs and major painting)
4. Poor (needs major repairs and major painting, but no missing parts (such as broken or boarded windows, broken segments of porch)
5. Very poor (needs major repairs and major painting, and has missing or/and broken parts)

18. IS THERE A DETACHED GARAGE ON THE PROPERTY?

1. No 2. Yes

19. WHAT IS THE CONDITION OF THE DETACHED GARAGE ON THE PROPERTY?

N/A

- Very good (needs no repairs or painting)
2. Good (needs minor painting, but no repairs)
 3. Fair (needs minor repairs and minor painting; or no repairs and major painting)
 4. Poor (needs major repairs and major painting, but no missing parts (such as broken or boarded windows, broken segments of porch)
 5. Very poor (needs major repairs and major painting, and has missing or/and broken parts)

20. HOW MUCH TRASH IS ON THE STREET IN FRONT OF THE SIDEWALK?

0. None

1. Very little (total that covers about the size of 1-2 small index cards; e.g. Small pieces of gum, candy bar, scraps of loose paper)
2. Little (total that covers about the size of one 8.5 x 11 sheet of paper; e.g. 1-2 small empty bags of potato chips or 1-2 empty soda cans)
3. Much (total that covers about one 11 x 17 sheet of paper)
4. Very Much (total that covers more than one 11 x 17 sheet of paper)

21. HOW MUCH TRASH IS THERE ON THE SIDEWALK IN FRONT OF THE PROPERTY?

- 0. None
- 1. Very little (total that covers about the size of 1-2 small index cards; e.g. Small pieces of gum, candy bar, scraps of loose paper)
- 2. Little (total that covers about the size of one 8.5 x 11 sheet of paper; e.g. 1-2 small empty bags of potato chips or 1-2 empty soda cans)
- 3. Much (total that covers about one 11 x 17 sheet of paper)
- 4. Very Much (total that covers more than one 11 x 17 sheet of paper)

22. HOW MUCH TRASH IS THERE ON THE LAWN IN FRONT OF THE PROPERTY?

- 0. None
- 1. Very little (total that covers about the size of 1-2 small index cards; e.g. Small pieces of gum, candy bar, scraps of loose paper)
- 2. Little (total that covers about the size of one 8.5 x 11 sheet of paper; e.g. 1-2 small empty bags of potato chips or 1-2 empty soda cans)
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23. AT THIS MOMENT, ARE PEOPLE SEEN CONGREGATING IN FRONT OR AROUND THE PROPERTY?

- 1. No 2. Yes

24. IF PEOPLE ARE SEEN CONGREGATING IN FRONT OF THE PROPERTY, SO THEY SEEM TO BE AWAITING PUBLIC OR OTHER FORMS OF TRANSPORTATION?

- 1. No 2. Yes

25. IF PEOPLE ARE SEEN CONGREGATING IN FRONT OF THE PROPERTY, DO THEY SEEM TO BE IDLE OR SIMPLY "HANGING OUT" (BUT NOT AWAITING THE BUS OR OTHER TRANSPORTATION)?

- 1. No 2. Yes

26. IF PEOPLE ARE SEEN CONGREGATING IN FRONT OF THE PROPERTY, DO THEY SEEM TO BE PATRONIZING A BUSINESS SUCH AS A BAR, RESTAURANT, NIGHT CLUB, OR THE LIKE?

- 1. No 2. Yes

27. IF YES TO THE ABOVE QUESTION, EXPLAIN _____

28. If people are seen congregating in front or around the property, about how many of them are there?

29. IF PEOPLE ARE SEEN CONGREGATING IN FRONT OR AROUND THE PROPERTY, ARE THEY PRIMARILY (SELECT ALL THAT APPLY)

1. Unsupervised children
2. Supervised children
3. Teenage Boys
4. Teenage girls
5. Adult men
2. Adult women
7. Elderly men
8. Elderly women

30. What seems to be the race or ethnicity of the people who are primarily congregating in front of the property?
