

Group Members --

Several of you have asked for an example (or template) for a Lost My Stuff Group ad that has been successfully used to advertise the Lost My Stuff Group on Craigslist. Below is an ad we posted in the Houston area which has prompted both new members and people with lost items to contact the Group. We have posted the ad under lost & found, with a title of "FREE Help to Find Lost Jewelry & Stuff".

If you post the ad to Craigslist in your area, feel free to add additional information such as local finds that have been made, but do not put your name, personal email address or contact information in the ad -- provide only the group website address.

Also – Make sure not to post an ad unless you're sure another member hasn't already put one up in your area. If multiple ads get posted, Craigslist will likely remove all of them!!!

Thanks in advance,

John Hawken, Founder
The Lost My Stuff Group

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Have you lost a ring, bracelet, watch, necklace or other metal object and would like someone with a metal detector to help you search for it?

We are a group of volunteer metal detectorists who have joined together to do just that!

We don't charge a fee for our services, nor do we expect a reward when we are successful. Our only goal is to help people in need, because we all believe it's just the right thing to do.

If you have lost something and would like one of our volunteers to help you search for it, just send us a Lost Item Report by completing the form on our website "Report a Lost Item Page" (<http://www.lostmystuff.net/report.php>).

Upon receiving your Lost Item Report, we will forward your report to our volunteers and if any of them are near your location and can help, they will email or telephone you to discuss how to best proceed.

Please Note:

If you lost your item in your own yard or on your own property, as long as you have not overly disturbed the area (by tilling, plowing, aerating, adding or removing dirt, or similar) time is not a major issue. In these cases, things can and are found years after the loss! Overly disturbing the area may make the item more difficult or impossible to recover.

If you lost your item in a public place like a beach, a park, a school yard, a golf course or similar, then time is critical and the search needs to be started ASAP!! If you delay, your item may be found by someone else and possibly never returned.

If you would just like to learn more about our Group, you can check out our website at <http://www.lostmystuff.net/> or our facebook page at <http://www.facebook.com/lostmystuffgroup>.

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