



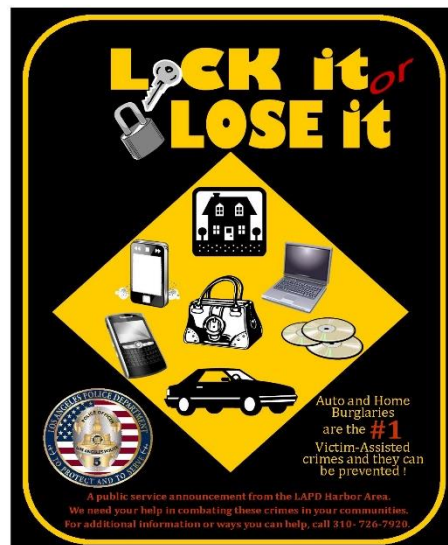
## LAPD Harbor Newsletter March 2022

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**If you have a specific question, please contact the Los Angeles Police Department, Harbor Area Community Relations Office, 2175 John S. Gibson Boulevard, San Pedro, CA 90731, (310) 726-7920**

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Thank you so much to all the community members who have sent so many well wishes and get well soon cards and messages to Senior Lead Officer (SLO) Roger Perez and Officers Nick Ferrara, Alan Woodard, and Chris Eick. They are all still recovering at home and we hope that they come back to us soon!

As we go into April, we have some assignment changes to ensure that we provide coverage to as many Basic Car Areas as possible. The assignment changes are as follows:

- East Wilmington (Basic Car Area 5A17) – SLO Maligi “Junior” Nua continues to serve as our Gang Reduction and Youth Outreach SLO and he will also now cover East Wilmington area and has a wealth of knowledge and experience in crime reduction, collaborating with gang interventionists, and community outreach.
- North Wilmington (Basic Car Area 5A15) – Officer Reynaldo Solorzano has been doing an outstanding job covering for many of our Wilmington Areas and we are moving him over to North Wilmington, which is where he served previously. He really shines in his work with addressing neighborhood crime issues and developing creative community-based solutions.
- Northwest San Pedro (Basic Car Area 5A55) – Officer Paul Ulmer has returned to the Community Relations team and he brings a wealth of knowledge from his time working as a member of our Quality of Life Team and has had experience doing outreach to help those experiencing homelessness. He has also been effective in addressing public safety problems and collaborating with different service providers and non-profits to help those in need.

I also want to congratulate Senior Lead Officer Melody Shortle. She has been an “acting” Senior Lead Officer for Coastal San Pedro for over a year and a half. SLO Shortle is receiving a promotion to the rank of SLO, which is a P3+1. We had so many amazing candidates and we expect two more promotions in the near future. SLO Shortle has been a Field Training Officer (P3) for over nine years and has shown that she is able to address specific crime problems working in collaboration with community stakeholders, Department specialized units, and other governmental agencies. Please join me in congratulating her.

The Harbor LITES is now selling official Neighborhood Watch Stickers and Decals to raise funds to help support their non-profit organization. If you’re interested in purchasing a sticker or decal, which are \$1 each, please contact me at [38156@lapd.online](mailto:38156@lapd.online).

And finally, thank you so much to our amazing community members, who continue to support us in so many ways.

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REMEMBER TO “LOCK-IT OR LOSE-IT”

Call 311 for any City of Los Angeles service or entity. Or use “MYLA311” app from your smart phone. Property crimes are the Harbor Gateway South’s biggest crime problem! We can never be too careful, too prepared or too aware. Please share this information with family, friends and neighbors. The Los Angeles Police Department and Harbor Community Relations Office wishes you a safe Spring Break and Easter Holiday.

Home

Be extra cautious about locking doors and windows when you leave the house, even for a few minutes. When leaving home for an extended time, have a neighbor or family member watch you house and pick up your newspapers and mail. Indoor and outdoor lights should be on an automatic timer. Leave a radio or television on so the house looks and sounds occupied. Strangers at Your Door Be aware that criminals sometimes pose as Couriers delivery gifts. It is not uncommon for criminals to take advantage of the generosity of people during the holiday season by soliciting donations door-to-door for charitable causes although no charity is involved. Ask for their identification, and find out how the donated funds will be used. Donate to a recognized charitable organization.

To combat property crimes, PLEASE, LOCK your homes when you leave. If you are able to, park your vehicle(s) in your driveway. LOCK your vehicle(s) whenever you are not in them. DO NOT leave expensive or valuable items in your vehicle(s).

For example, many victims have reported expensive items such as; laptop computers, purses, GPS devices, and money taken from their vehicle. Thieves have been targeting the catalytic converters from vehicles. The vehicles that have had the most crimes against the owners are Japanese made vehicles (Toyotas, Hondas, Nissans), KIA, especially the SUV models because the thieves can get under the rear of the vehicle easier. Please keep an eye out for potential car thieves. Park your vehicles in a driveway if possible. Other thefts include; GPS’s, computers, vehicle batteries, purses, money, passports, etc. Furthermore, many of the vehicles were unlocked during the commission of the crime. Help your neighbors to remember to secure their homes and vehicles.

If you are interested in starting a neighborhood watch, please feel free to contact me. If there is a block watch already established in your neighborhood, then I will provide you all the information that you will need. To file a police report online, log into [lapdonline.org](http://lapdonline.org). You can also call the Harbor Area front desk at (310) 726-7700. Report any graffiti and notify GAP at 311 for removal.

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Greetings! I am pleased to engage the community of East Wilmington in hopes of addressing your quality of life, nuisance and crime issues. I will be conducting community outreach and enforcement in the East Wilmington community as well as gang prevention and intervention outreach.

During the month of March, our crime issues remain assaults and property crime. This is due to domestic violence incidents, assaults on family members, neighbor disputes and some gang crime incidents. I encourage community members to, without delay, seek dispute resolution options when it comes to any type of conflict. Often times, we observe crime reports that indicate a history of disputes, ultimately resulting in physical assaults. If you know folks in this situation, please contact me or the City Attorney's Dispute Resolution Program 213-978-1880.

We also have many non-profit organizations that can provide anger management and domestic violence programs.

Grand theft auto, burglary theft from motor vehicles and catalytic convertor theft incidents continue to drive our property crime statistics. With so many auto dismantler, auto parts and auto sales locations in East Wilmington, the influence for car thieves to benefit from stolen cars and parts is high. Please be vigilant and as they say, HARDEN THE TARGET. In this case, purchase a good alarm

system, utilize a secondary security device (ie, the Club), park in well lit areas, don't leave valuables in your car (including visible coins and phone chargers) and be vigilant.

Finally, please remember you can file certain reports on-line at LAPD CORS. Also, utilize myLA311 phone application to report trash, graffiti and bulky item pick up. For abandoned vehicles please call 1-800-ABANDON. Have a wonderful Easter!

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Hello. I am excited and looking forward to spending some time with the Wilmington community in the New Year.

I would like to get a few zoom meetings going next year and invite those that are interested to contact me as soon as possible. If you are interested in starting a neighborhood watch, please feel free to contact me. If there is a block watch already established in your neighborhood, then I will provide you all the information that you will need. If you have any Quality of Life issues such as homeless/transients, you could always contact me with the information.

Please continue to report any criminal activity to the police. The intersection of Anaheim Street and Figueroa Street is a high-risk intersection for traffic accidents in Wilmington. Please slow down!! DON'T DRIVE AND TEXT.

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Hello there! I hope this newsletter finds you in good spirits. I would like to start off by saying that it is an honor to hold the position as Acting Senior Lead Officer for the areas of Northwest San Pedro.

I will be working on setting up a few events to engage with the community, such as “Coffee with a Cop”, and a Virtual Meeting with the local Neighborhood Watch. I am looking forward to engaging with the community, hearing, and addressing their concerns.

If you have any Quality of Life issues, such as persons experiencing homelessness/transients, you may contact me with the information, as I have an expertise with homeless outreach, engagement, and crimes related to it. Please continue to report any criminal activity to the police via 877-ASK-LAPD (non-emergency), or 9-1-1 for emergencies, as opposed to using social media outlets solely.

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During the month of March, we had a significant increase in Home Burglaries. As a reminder, please remember to lock and secure your homes. Notify your neighbors to monitor your home if you will be gone on vacation so they can retrieve mail and packages. Remember to STOP you mail with the post office. Harbor Division continues to have Violent Crime Suppression throughout San Pedro. Along the same topic, there has been also been an increase if thefts.

As a reminder, please remember to promptly pick up any packages. Porch Pirates are monitoring unattended packages. Please be pro-active and schedule package deliver accordingly or have someone pick up the packages for you.

If you are having any issues with your neighbors and would like assistance with a resolution, please feel free to contact the City of Los Angeles City Attorney’s Office Neighbor Dispute Resolution Program at 213-978-1880. You can also [Sheryl.Fox@lacity.org](mailto:Sheryl.Fox@lacity.org). We want to resolve these neighbor disputes before they escalate into something greater.

As a reminder to everyone... Please call 911 or the Non-Emergency Number 877-ASK-LAPD when you need the police to respond. Officers will not respond to your area if the police are not called. I know that sometimes the suspect will be gone by the time the police get there (especially in a non-emergency situation), but at least the activity will be documented and the police unit will be in the area to monitor and give the area extra patrol.

**Upcoming Neighborhood Watch Meetings**

24th @ Centre Neighborhood Watch

8th St / Centre St

Every 4th Monday of the month at 6:30 p.m.

Central San Pedro Neighborhood Council

250 W. 5th Street, San Pedro California

Every second Tuesday of month at 6:30 p.m.

Mesa Street/Bridgepoint Neighborhood Watch  
385 W. 18th Street (New Harvest Christian Church)  
Every third Wednesday of the month at 6:30 p.m.

Rancho San Pedro Housing Development R.A.C. Meeting  
275 W. 1st Street  
Last Wednesday of every month

Consider becoming a Block Captain and forming a Neighborhood Watch Program.  
Block Captains training sessions are available for any community member that wants it. If you have any questions, please call SLO Frank Lopez.

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Call 311 for any City of Los Angeles service or entity OR use “MYLA311” app on your smart phone.

Hello Coastal San Pedro,

I hope everyone is doing well and staying healthy during this time. Coastal San Pedro has had a decrease of total violent crimes. However, there is an increase of property crimes. Grand Theft Auto has remained the same (12) and the vehicles stolen have between midnight- 6 a.m. Theft from Motor Vehicle/Thefts have also increased 44.4 %. The best way to avoid becoming a victim is to take preventative measures. Always lock your doors /window even if you plan on being away for a short time. If you able to, Park your vehicle inside your garage or driveway. Also you're your vehicle in a well lit area. Don't leave anything in your vehicle open to view that might attract thieves. This includes but is not limited to purses, bags, laptop computers, cellphones, GPS devices, expensive sunglasses, work IDs, garage door openers and tools.

There has also been “porch Pirates” in the area as well. If you are expecting a package and will not be home during the delivery let your neighbor or a family member know that you are expecting a delivery and to keep an eye out so they can hold it for you. Many mail order services offer locker service where your package will be delivered and kept securely until you are ready to pick up from a secured locker. (UPS “Access Point “ Lockers, “Amazon” lockers, FedEx “Ship & Get” lockers)

Catalytic Converter Theft is still an ongoing issue. The type of vehicles that have been affected are Toyotas, Hondas, Nissans. On February 26, 2022 LAPD Harbor Division partnered with LA Port Police,

the LA Port and OPG TOW (7th St Garage) hosted a Catalytic Converter Etching Event and it was a success .

Spring is here and although kids will be on spring break soon, please drive slowly, obey stop signs and be aware of your surroundings while near a school. There are so many children/teens that walk to school and tend to have ear pods in their ears or looking down on their cell phone while walking. Please make sure that they see you so that they can get to school safely and you can get to your destination safely. If you see LAUSD School Police Officer Isakson in the San Pedro School area, give him a big hello! He is the officer patrolling in the South Division. (email jisakson@laspd.com )

Time for spring cleaning. Take the time to clean out the garage to create a space for your vehicle in order to prevent any thefts /catalytic convertor thefts. Always check on your friends and family during this time. Send them a text, give them a call. There has been a few suicides at Pt Fermin and its heartbreaking for everyone involved.

Happy Easter and Happy Passover !

To report gang activity, in the San Pedro area, please call the Gang Enforcement detail at 310-726-7891. Officer Sherman, Officer Garabay and Officer Langer are assigned San Pedro Area. They can also be reached via email . (Ofcr Sherman 42707@lapd.online, Ofcr Garabay 41203@lapd.online and Ofcr Langer 42509@lapd.online )

To report Narcotic activity in Coastal San Pedro area, please call the Narcotics Detectives at 310-726-7840.

If you are interested in joining your neighborhood watch or do not know if your neighborhood has one, contact me and I will provide you with that information. Neighborhood watches are a great way to get to know your neighbors in an informal setting and allows citizens to take a more active role in protecting their neighborhood and keeping their families, homes and possessions safe from criminals.

### **Upcoming Meetings:**

Joint/Sunken City: Meets 1st week of the month

Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council: Meets 3rd Monday of the month

Alma Park Neighborhood Watch: Park clean ups held the 1st Saturday of the month

Cabrillo Marina Aquarium: Meets 3rd Thursday of the month.

## **Crime Prevention Tips and Reporting Information**



**You can now report Fireworks via 3-1-1, LAPD Non-Emergency number 877-275-LAPD or mysafela.org.**

If you have any Quality of Life issues such as homeless, you may also contact Officer Woodard, Serial No. 37419@lapd.online and Officer Ulmer, Serial No. 40007@lapd.online. They can assist if I'm not available.

The City of LA has lost the Vehicle Dwelling ordinance 85.02 LAMC. City Council will re-visit this ordinance in the future. Please be advised that at this time LAPD is unable to tow any vehicles being utilized for dwelling purposes due to COVID-19 restrictions. CD15 has a "Safe Parking" alternative for those people experiencing homelessness. The parking lot is in San Pedro located at 7<sup>th</sup> St and Beacon St. To get more information on this program, please call CD15 at 310-732-4515.

### **Property Crime Prevention tips:**

To combat property crimes, **PLEASE, LOCK** your homes when you leave. If possible, park your vehicle in the driveway. **LOCK** your vehicle(s) whenever you are not in them and **DO NOT** leave valuables in plain sight. For example, victims have reported stolen valuables such as; laptop computers, purses, GPS devices and money taken from their vehicle.

**Thieves can burglarize your car in just seconds. Protect yourself by following a few simple tips.**

### **Burglary and Theft From Vehicle Prevention**

- Always lock your car.
- Make sure your windows are closed all the way.
- **DO NOT** leave any item that is worth money visible in your car, including; phones, wallets, purses, computers, GPS devices, suit cases, and even loose change. Your valuables will be stolen!
- Park your car in well-travelled or lighted areas.
- Know where all your car keys are located at all times.

### **Warning Devices: Popular burglary/ theft prevention devices**

- Audible theft alarms
- Anti-theft devices, such as "The Club"
- Vehicle warning device that alerts your smart phone.
- Closed circuit security cameras that view the area where you park your car.
- Kill switch works great too to prevent your vehicle from being stolen.

**To Report NARCOTIC ACTIVITY**, please call the Harbor Station Narcotics Detectives at (310) 726-7840. can make the call anonymous or please leave a message.

**To report GANG ACTIVITY**, please call the Harbor Area Gang Enforcement Detail at (310) 726-7891.

To report **VANDALISM**, photograph the graffiti and notify GAP at 311 for removal.