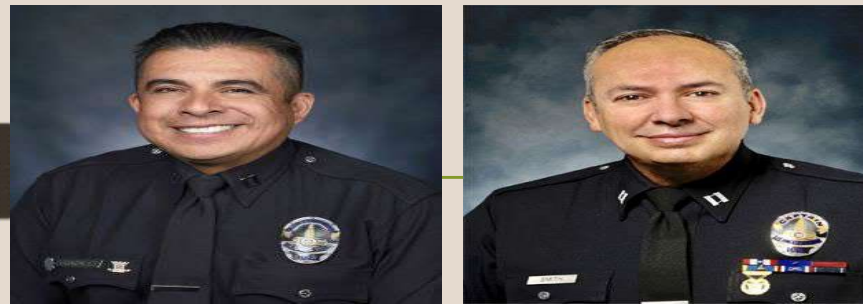


77Th Area Community Newsletter



77TH Street Area – Senior Lead Area Map

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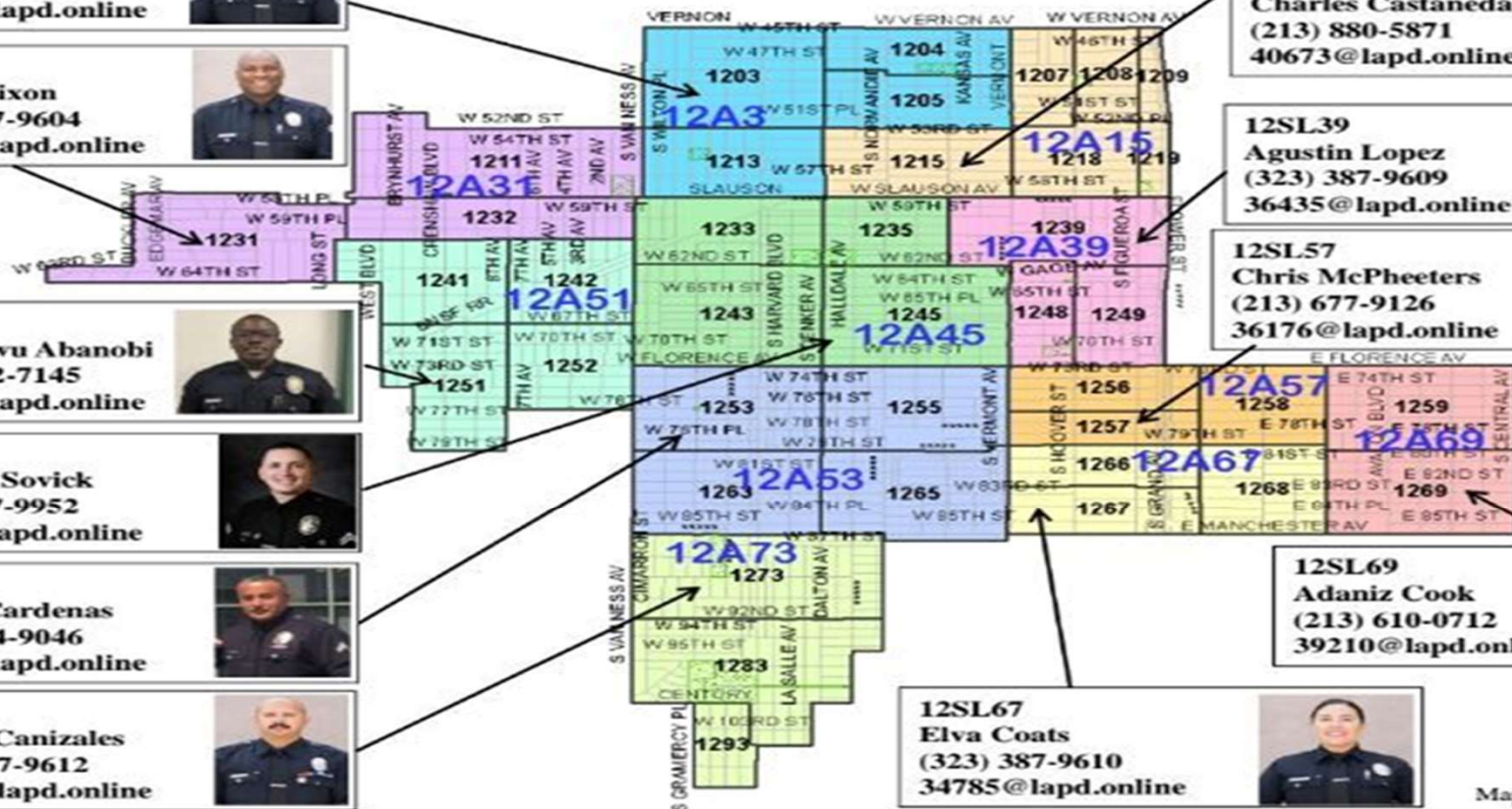
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Map updated on 12/15/23



Annual Work Plan Goals

It is the mission of the 77th Street Area Community Police Station to provide quality service to our community and to establish a safe environment for those who live, work and visit the 77th Street Area. We will work in partnership with the community in a courteous and respectful manner to protect lives, property and quality of life within our neighborhoods.

Our goal as a police department is to keep society free from crime and disorder. As the primary law enforcement agency within our geographical boundaries, we are committed to identifying, arresting, and prosecuting criminals.

In keeping with the Department's Mission Statement and Core Values, we are also committed to promoting a healthy work environment for our employees in which they are supported, empowered and valued, allowing them to be productive.

77th Street Area Goals:

- Reduce Part I crimes by 1 percent
- Strengthen the Community-Police Partnership
- Build morale through leadership and an employee-centered station
- Reduce serious injury and fatal related traffic collisions by 1 percent
- Maintain and strengthen the Area Safe Parks Program

Senior Lead Officer Agustin Lopez (12SL39)

Commendable Officer and Citizen Incidents

On January 27, 2024, at approximately 1755 hours, Officer Cardenas and Officer Diaz were in the area of 68th Street and Figueroa Street, when they observed a vehicle driving at a high rate of speed. The vehicle was travelling approximately 50 mph in a residential area and failed to stop at a cleared posted stop sign. The officers conducted a traffic stop on the vehicle. During the investigation, officers received consent from the driver of the vehicle, to search the vehicle. During the search, officers located a firearm under the center console cup holder. The driver was detained for the firearm. Officers discovered that the firearm was a reported stolen firearm. The driver was booked for concealed weapon in vehicle.

Neighborhood Events

- March 12, 2024- at 6:00 PM-Voces Neighborhood Council board meeting at Vermont Square Brach Library, 1201 W 48th Street, Los Angeles, CA 90037
- Crime Tips

Robbery Prevention Tips

Be aware. Pay attention to those around you.
Do not walk with cell phones in hand or earphones on.
Be familiar with the area you are traveling to and from.
If you are a victim, do not panic, do not resist. Property can be replaced; it is not worth the risk.
Pay attention to the suspect(s) appearance, direction of travel. The more details the better.
Call 911 right away

Senior Lead Officer Andre Dixon (12SL31)

Commendable Officer and Citizen Incidents

On /16/2023 Officer Aguilar # 43073 and Officer Salguero # 425558 were working 77th GED. Officers were conducting crime suppression in Crenshaw and Slauson. Officers observed a vehicle that had serval violations. Officers conducted a traffic stop on that vehicle. Both Officers recognized both occupants as documented Rollin 60's. Officer Aguilar observed the passenger make a furtive movement towards the center consol. Officers order both Driver and Passenger to exit the vehicle. In plain sight Officers observed narcotics and also notice the original integrity of vehicle had been tampered with by the passenger. Based on the GED training and expertise dealing with gang members. The GED officers conducted a through search of the vehicle. Officers also recovered a firearm 9mm, blue steel fully loaded. The suspect was then taken into custody as well as the firearm was recovered. Good Job by the Officers paying close attention to detail. Thanks to these Officers removing another weapon off the street of Los Angeles.

Neighborhood Events

February 3rd 59Th Street Block Club
Grace United Methodist Church
4112 W. Slauson Ave 10 am
February 10th Park Mesa NHC meeting 10-1
February 12Th Town Hall meeting 5pm-7pm
Crenshaw Christian Center 7901 S. Vermont

Personal Safety & Crime Prevention Tips

Basic Personal Safety
Safeguard Your Mail

Senior Lead Officer Andre Dixon (12SL31) - Continued

- Retrieve your mail as soon as possible from your mailbox, or set up a P.O. box, so sensitive mail cannot be stolen.
- When possible, mail letters directly at the post office or with your postal worker.

Set up Direct Deposits for Benefit Checks

- Physical checks can be stolen from mailboxes or easily picked up by someone who enters your home. It's best to have your benefit checks deposited directly into your account.

Never Allow an Unsolicited Contractor to Enter Your Home

- Keep your doors locked, and do not invite them in. Ask for identification, even if they say it is an emergency.
- If necessary, call the company to confirm the individual is meant to be there.
- Call a neighbor or 911 if you sense something is not right.

Protect Yourself From Financial Elder Abuse

- Maintain control over your finances and monitor accounts for abnormal withdrawals.
- Regularly review your will, power of attorney, and property titles.

Crime Prevention Tips While You're Out and About

Travel Light

- Carry as few cards as possible in your wallet – that goes for identity cards and credit cards alike. This will save you many headaches if your wallet is lost or stolen, and it helps prevent identity
- Always keep your purse close to your body and never leave it in a shopping cart.
- Avoid carrying large amounts of cash.

Engage in Good Cell Phone Habits Carrying a cell phone with you is a good idea for many reasons, including getting in touch with loved ones or calling for help during an emergency. Just don't let it distract you from what's going on around you. Thieves target people talking on phones or texting while taking a walk or shopping. Smartphones are frequently stolen right out of people's hands, so keeping it out of sight is best. You can check your texts and play games when you get home!

Senior Lead Office Atulaegwu Abanobi (12SL51)

Commendable Officer Incident

On February 17, 2024, at approximately 2100 hours, Officers Mott #43102 and Choe #43079, assigned to 77th Division Gang Enforcement Detail, were conducting extra patrol in the area of 11th Ave and 60th St. This area has a high history of shootings, robberies, homicides, grand theft autos, various traffic violations and gang activity.

On this day, Officers observed a vehicle that made multiple stop sign violations resulting in a traffic stop. During the traffic stop, the Officers observed several order vehicle code violations that ultimately led them to an illegally possessed firearm inside in the car. They were able to safely conduct a thorough investigation and take the identified subject/driver into custody without any force.

Thanks to the great work by these officers there is one less illegally possessed gun out there in our streets. The presence of the Officers, and the extra patrol provided, shows the community that we are listening to their complaints and doing something to resolve or minimize the occurrence of traffic and firearm related incidents.

Neighborhood Events

Council District 8 is spreading LA 311 awareness during the month of March 2024.

Download the application on your mobile phone, dial 311 or call 213-473-3231 to make service requests (examples: sanitation, parking issues, encampments etc.).

This resource connects people to non-emergency City services and information. Use it to make service request which are trackable with confirmation numbers.

Crime Tips

-Always “BE AWARE” of your surroundings, especially while traveling on foot or waiting at the bus stops located on Crenshaw Blvd.

-“LOCK and SECURE vehicles” (Older model vehicles need alarms and clubs for additional security). Do not leave any invisible property (i.e., phone charging cable/bags/clothing) inside vehicle. Secure property in truck of vehicle. **If you observe any crime in progress, call the police immediately by dialing 911.**

Senior Lead Officer Adaniz Cook (12SL69)

Commendable Officer and Citizen Incidents

On February 14, 2024, Gang Enforcement Officer Pena (Serial No. 42444) and his partner Officer Phillips (Serial No. 43950) were in the area of 85th Street and Stanford Avenue when they observed a group of individuals standing on a corner. Officers observed a suspect concealing a firearm in their front sweater pocket. Their investigation revealed a documented gang member, with previous convictions, to be in possession of a firearm. Officers interviewed witnesses and attained a statement from suspect who admitted possession.

Officers are to be commended for their outstanding observations, investigative skills, and knowledge of the area. Their proactive work resulted in the quick apprehension of a documented gang member and the removal of a loaded firearm from the streets.

On February 21, 2024, Patrol Officer Nafissi (Serial No. 40832) and his partner Officer Duarte (Serial No. 45468), were in the area of Florene Ave and Avalon Bl when they conducted a WW check on a vehicle which returned stolen. During their investigation, Officers detained and arrested the vehicle driver. Their investigation revealed that the suspect/driver was not given permission to drive the vehicle. Consequently, the driver was arrested for 10851 (a) CVC. Officers are commended for a thorough investigation and the fast apprehension of a vehicle theft suspect. Vehicle related crimes are high in the area where suspect was first observed. Officers were able to remove a suspect who was driving a vehicle without owner consent and help a community member attain his property back.

Neighborhood Events

March 14th: CPAB meeting at 6PM in the 77th Street Station community room.

March 21st: Fremont Safety Collaborative Meeting will be held at Fremont High School at 9AM-10AM.

Crime Tips or Requests for Community Assistance

Vehicle Thefts and Burglary from Motor Vehicles continue to be an ongoing issue among Kias and Hyundai's. Remember to Lock it Hide it Keep it.

PLEASE SPREAD AWARENESS

Familiarize yourself with My LA 311 City Services. You can download the application to your phone or call 311. Services include bulky item removal, graffiti removal, illegal dumping, homeless encampments, and electronic waste.

Senior Lead Officer Elva Coats (12SL67)

Officers continue to do great work out there. Several key arrests have been made of some not so kind individuals. Thank you to all who serve and protect the streets of 77th Division day in and day out.

We are seeing an increase in stolen cars being stolen and recovered in the area of Grand Ave to Main Street between Manchester Ave and 80th Street (RD 1268). With 77th Division being one of the busiest in the city, officers can't be everywhere all the time. We are asking for your assistance in being an extra set of eyes and if you SEE something, please SAY something. We must work together to make this community that we either call home or work in a better place for all. Team work makes the dream work.

Community Event

McDonald's At Main Street and Manchester Ave (101 W. Manchester Ave) will be celebrating their grand Re-opening. Join us and their team in celebrating on March 16th from 11am - 3pm.

Crime Tips or requests for community assistance

You can download the LA City app MyLA311 to report homeless encampments, illegal dumping, burned out street lights and large item pick-ups.

Robbery Prevention Tips

Be aware. Pay attention to those around you.

Do not walk with cell phones in hand or earphones on.

Be familiar with the area you are traveling to and from.

If you are a victim, don't panic, don't resist. Property can be replaced, it's not worth the risk.

Pay attention to the suspect(s) appearance, direction of travel. The more details the better.

If it looks suspicious call it in to our non-emergency hotline 1-877-ASK-LAPD

(1-877-275-5273). If you need immediate police assistance please dial 911.

It's that time of the year where burglars want your property. Make sure to lock and secure your doors and windows at home. DO NOT leave any valuables in your car or more importantly any loved ones gifts

Senior Lead Officer Greg Sovick (12SL45)

Commendable Officer Incident

Officers received a call from an Amazon delivery employee stating that someone had jumped into his delivery van and drove off. Officers Vega and Wu responded to the scene and met with the driver who was able to provide GPS updated locations of the delivery van. Officers Foca and Valenzuela responded to the updated location provided where they observed the delivery van parked. Officers additionally observed a female suspect walking away from the van carrying Amazon packages. She was detained pending an investigation into the vehicle and package theft.

With the assistance of a supervisor from Amazon and additional officers. Our team was able to positively identify the detained suspect with video evidence as the person who stole the delivery van and the packages. Furthermore, GPS evidence led officers to a local RV encampment where the suspect had parked the truck for several minutes prior to driving away. At the RV encampment several additional Amazon packages were recovered concealed around the RVs.

A huge thank you to all involved in removing this suspect from our streets. And a special thank you for the additional follow up investigations resulting in our community members getting their packages back. It is cooperation like this that provides our community with a safer neighborhood for all.

Neighborhood Events

03/12/24 Voices Neighborhood Council Board meeting (6 pm at Vermont Square Park)

03/12/24 Harvard Park School Safety Collaborative meeting (10 am John Muir Middle School)

03/25/24 Empowerment Congress Central Area Neighborhood Development Council meeting (6 pm at Harvard Park)

Crime Tips

- Don't forget to continue to utilize the MyLA311 App to report/request the needs in our community.
- Use a sensor or timer light in your residence when not home in order to create the appearance that someone is home.
- Please remove or hide any and all valuables in your parked vehicles in order to discourage vehicle break-ins.
- Utilize a steering wheel or ignition lock in order to reduce vehicle thefts.
- When parking in shopping centers attempt to park in the well-lit areas and/or near surveillance cameras.

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Senior Lead Officer Robert Canizales (12SL73)

Commendable Officer and Citizen Incidents

On February 20, 2024 Officer Do #43209, and his partner Officer Ramos #44445 were at 9326 S Western Ave serving a Search Warrant. These Officers are assigned to 77th Narcotics Unit. Officers were monitoring an illegal Cannabis Dispensary.

77th Narcotics Unit served a search warrant on November 1, 2023 where they seized 30 gross pounds of cannabis products and a firearm. Due to the dispensary conducting an illegal operation 77th Narcotics unit conducted a controlled buy.

On February 20, 2024 with Search Warrant in hand undercover personnel entered 9326 S Western Ave. Undercover personnel utilized audio and video to record illegal cannabis sales. Undercover personnel purchased a \$20.00 black Ziploc-type bag containing a green leafy substance resembling cannabis.

Officers formulated a plan and executed the Search Warrant of the Illegal Cannabis Dispensary. During the investigation there were 6 suspects cited for operating an illegal dispensary, 1 firearm was recovered along with 22 pounds of Cannabis.

Officers are to be commended for their teamwork, and investigative skills that resulted in the closure of an Illegal Cannabis Dispensary.

Neighborhood Events

Empowerment Congress Southwest Area Neighborhood Development Council community meeting is held on every third Monday of the month at 1800 hours. 03-18-24 8475 S Vermont Ave
92nd Street / Westpark Terrace Block Club meeting 1300 Hours Bimonthly

Crime Tips or requests for community assistance – 12A73

Auto related crimes: Kia, Hyundai, Hondas

The message is simple:

- **Lock IT:** Lock your vehicle every time you leave it unattended and always lock your valuables in your trunk.
- **Hide It:** If you don't have a trunk, hide valuables under the seats, in the glove box, or other compartments within the vehicle.
- **Keep It:** Personal responsibility is the best prevention to safeguard personal property and to prevent becoming a victim.

Senior Lead Officer Ruben Cardenas (12SL53)

Commendable Officers Incident

On 02-15-24 at approximately 1500 hours, Officer Nafissi #40832 and his partner Officer Duarte # 45468, received a radio call, ADW in progress at Tumby's Pizza, located at 8326 S. Western Ave. Suspect is armed with a knife. Officers arrived at scene and observed a person matching the suspect's description standing in front of Tumby's. Officers gave the suspect commands to lay on the ground. The suspect went to the ground and took a sitting position. The suspect's own momentum caused him to fall backwards onto his back. This movement caused a grey camouflage knife to fall out of his pocket. Suspect was taken into custody without further incident. The victim informed officers that suspect raised the knife above his head and threaten to kill him. There was a person who witnessed the incident and advised the suspect the police were on there way. Victim walked into Tumby's asking for help and waited until police arrived. Officers are to be commended for their quick response, attention to detail, and sound tactics in dealing with an armed and dangerous suspect. Suspect was arrested and booked at 77th station for ADW with a knife.

Neighborhood Events/Important dates:

Daylight savings time starts on Sunday, March 10. Don't forget to adjust your clocks.

Easter Sunday will fall on March 31,2020.

For those of you who still haven't downloaded the MyLA311 application, please do so. It's a good tool to have and use for issues regarding the community.

Senior Lead Officer Owen Mills (12A3)

Commendable Officer and Citizen Incidents

Officer Foca and his Partner Officer received a radio call of an armed robbery suspect there now, Slauson and Western. The comments of the call provided the officers with the description of the suspect. There was also an earlier robbery incident, at the same location involving the suspect. Officers responded quickly and requested additional units. They made sure to rebroadcast the suspect's information for responding units.

Upon arrival, Officers observed the suspect and began ordering him to put his hands up. The suspect observed the responding units and complied with the Officers commands. Because of Officers quick response and coordination of responding units the suspect was taken into custody without incident.

Neighborhood Events

Chesterfield Square Community Block Club Monthly Zoom Meeting Saturday March 9th, 9am to 10:30am. Due covid-19 concerns the meetings are held via zoom.

Join Zoom Meeting <http://us02web.zoom.us/j/9835112283?Pwd=VG04aWZnOV12eHdmRWpOaGIDT09>

Meeting ID: 983 511 2283

Dial by your location 1-669-900-6833 or 1-669-444-9171

Empowerment Congress – Central Area (ECCANDC) Monthly Zoom Meeting is held on the fourth Monday day of every month, March 25th at 6pm. In person at Jackie Tatum rec. center 1535 w 62nd St.

Crime Tips

Burglary is a crime of opportunity. Make their work risky and difficult, and you stand a good chance of stopping before they get in.

Most burglars enter through unlocked doors and windows. Lock all doors and windows.

Add security bar on windows and doors. Remove shrubs and add light sensors to dark areas.

Add a dog big or small to your family. Criminals tend to avoid homes with dogs.

Install a home alarm system or participate /organize

“Neighborhood Watch”. Get to know your neighbor.

If a suspicious person knocks on your door and you feel threatened or uncomfortable. Call 311 or 911 in case of emergency. (DO NOT OPEN THE DOOR!!)

If you suspect a burglary:

*Don't go in—the burglary may still be inside.

*Don't open for business—your employees and costumers may unwittingly alter valuable evidence.

*Call police immediately!

Burglary is the most preventable of crimes. Simply make your home the least burglar-attractive-and most burglary proof-in your neighborhood. Look at your home through a burglar's eyes and improve the worst area first. Fortify doors and windows, good outdoor security lighting and wireless burglar alarms can go a long way towards protecting your home

Senior Lead Officer Charles Castaneda (12SL15)

Commendable Officer and Citizen Incidents

Officers Valenzuela #43551 and Foca #43683 responded to a robbery investigation in which a citizen was robbed of his money. Officers coordinated with additional units, Officers Quintero #41505, Murillo #44942, Fuchigami #43010 and Lozano #44064. Officers were able coordinate and interview the Victim and Witness. Officers formulated a plan and the Suspect was located several blocks away. The Suspect was taken into custody without incident. All Officers involved are to be commended for their investigative skills, communication with the Victim and Witness as well as teamwork that led to the Suspect's arrest.

Neighborhood Events

Voices Neighborhood Council Meeting March 12th 6pm at Vermont Square Library.

Crime Tips

Auto related crimes: Kia, Hyundai, Hondas, Chevy, GMC

The message is simple:

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- **Keep It:** Personal responsibility is the best prevention to safeguard personal property and to prevent becoming a victim.

Street Robberies

- When walking around your neighborhood, be aware of your surroundings.
- When possible, walk with a friend or family member.
- Never have earbuds too loud to hear what's going on around you
- Consider leaving jewelry or valuables at home.
- Keep phones secured in your pocket.

Senior Lead Officer Chris McPheeters (12SL57)

Commendable Officer and Citizen Incidents

I would like to acknowledge the Sanitation Department for their hard work and dedication each day. The Sanitation Department has arranged and partnered with the 77th Senior Lead Officers on weekly basis. We are able to identify the problem with homeless encampments creating safety hazards, blocking sidewalks, and crime occurring at these locations. It is the help of the community and taking ownership of their area by reporting to the Senior Lead Officer or utilizing the 311 APP. The 77th Senior Lead Officers go out and meet with Sanitation at these locations and conduct major clean ups. There have been several homeless individuals who have been placed in housing with the help and support of the Hopics Team. The Sanitation has also teamed up with the Council District to have several R/V'S removed that are abandoned. We want to thank all the Sanitation workers for always going above and beyond.

Neighborhood Events

The 77th Street Area resumed their monthly Community Police Advisory Board meeting our next meeting will be held on, March 14, 2024, at 6PM. We hope that you will be able to attend the meeting in person, there are sometimes difficulties with the zoom, and all are not able to obtain the information provided. Please feel free to contact me at 36176@lapd.online or (213) 677-9126

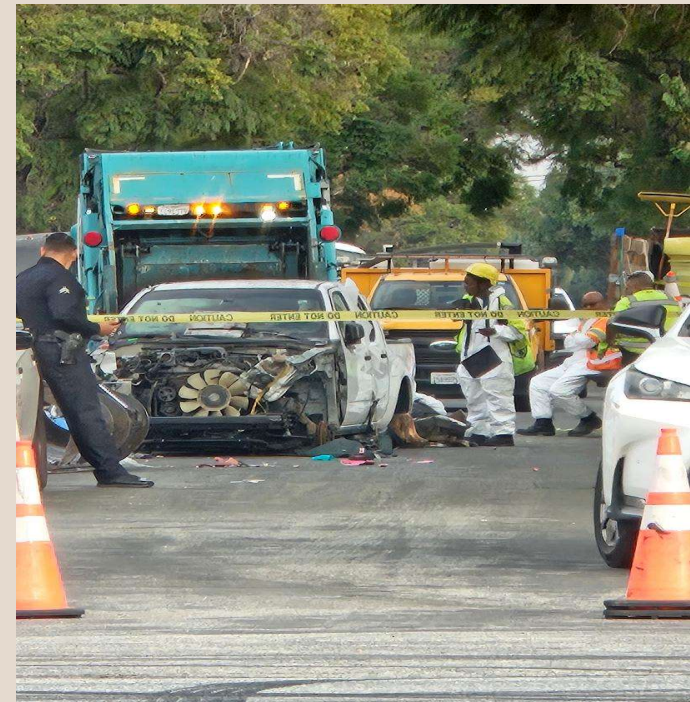
The 77th Senior Lead Officers are going to participate in the Read Across America Day at Loren Miller Elementary School. We will be reading in designated classrooms to the youth. The event will be taking place on March 6, 2024, from 8am-10am.

Crime Tips

There is still an increase with stolen vehicles (KIA) (Hyundai). Be aware of where you park and always lock and secure your vehicles. It is important to have an audible anti-theft mechanism on your vehicle and if you park in front of your home, please install cameras which offer the proper coverage. It is a small price to pay to protect your property and avoid being victimized. Please remember to utilize the 311 APP, download on your phone. It has several requests that can be made from bulky items pickup, homeless encampments, and graffiti removal.

Please remember the following whenever you are out and about walking:

- 1: Stay visible- wear light or reflective clothing
- 2: Stop and look before crossing
- 3: Stay alert, phone free, and use crosswalks





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Face Paintings, Jumpers, Giveaways, Egg
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with Easter Bunny & Food!



**Saturday
March 23**



Adult & children must be present at the time of
registration!



10 AM - 3 PM

St. Andrews Rec. Center
8701 S St. Andrews Pl.,
Los Angeles, CA 90047



For more information, please call
(213) 485 - 1751



Persons with disabilities are welcome to participate in our programs. Reasonable accommodations made with prior arrangements. All information/activities are subject to change and/or cancelled without prior notice.

YOU CAN SAVE A LIFE

March 16th, 4-5pm

at Project 43

6841 CRENSHAW BLVD, LOS ANGELES, CA 90043

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