



Co-Chairs: Captain Manuel Chavez & Alexa Iles Skarpelos
Secretary: Angela La Riva

Town Hall Meeting Recap
September 16, 2025 - 5:00 pm
Hollywood Community Room 6501 Fountain Avenue

I. Hollywood Division Update

Captain Manuel Chavez

Hollywood Division crime stats:

- Homicides = ↓down, -13.3%
- Rape = ↓down, -4.2%
- Robberies = ↓down, -20.2%
- Aggr Assault = ↓down, -11.8%

Total Violent Crime = ↓down, -14.2%

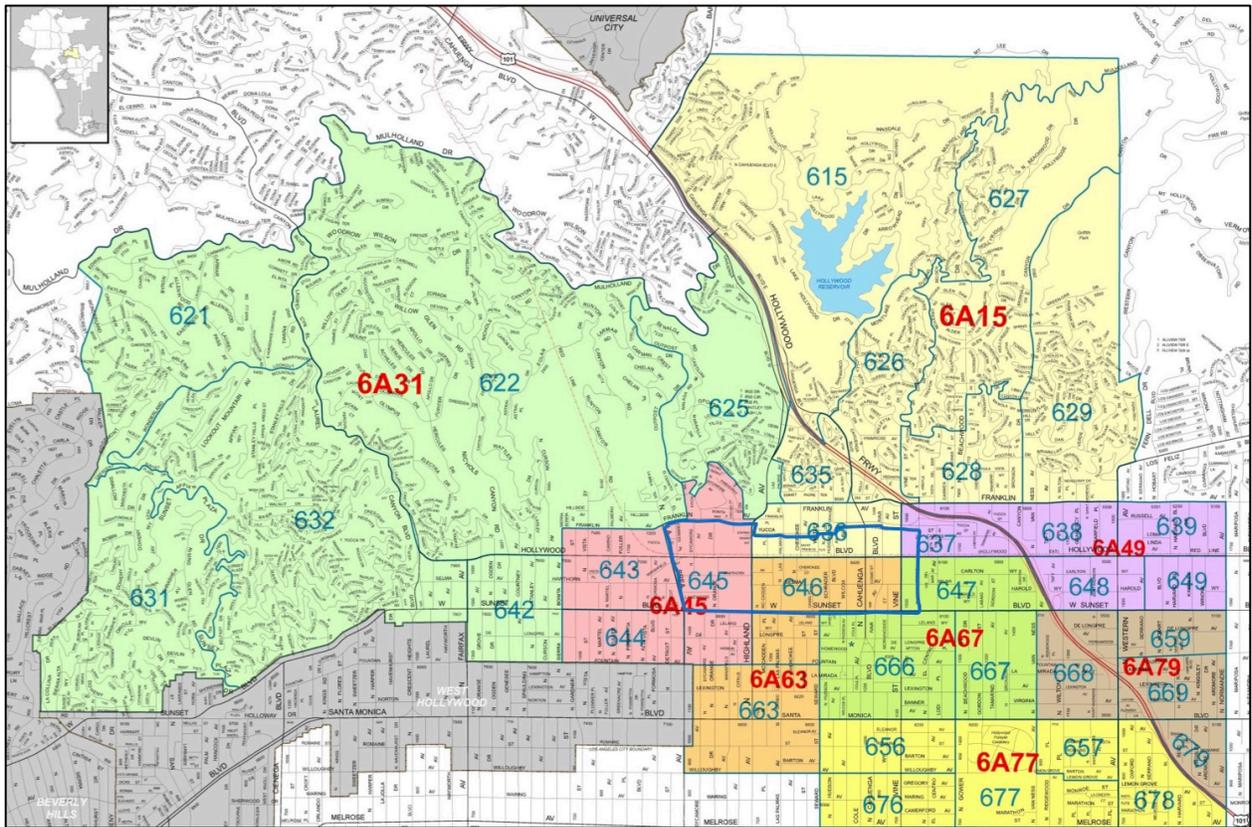
- Burglaries = ↓down, -31.4%
- Grand Theft Auto = ↓down, -3.9%
- Theft fr Vehicle = ↓down, -18.5%
- Theft /GTP = ↓down, -21.2%

Total Property Crime = ↓down-19.1%

Sgt. Garrett Colley

Personnel Updates:

- Sgt. Garrett Colley is now serving as the Community Relations Officer, with Sgt Costello is out on leave. His email is: 37893@lapd.online
- Sgt. Danielle Lopez is the new SLO Supervisor. Her email is: 41361@lapd.online
- SLO Heather Mata will be moving on from Area 6A15, where she has been for over 5 years, to Area 6A63 (see map attached below) which had been SLO Paul Jordan's area before he passed away in January. Her email is: 40988@lapd.online
- Starting September 21st, 2025, SLO John Negrete will join LAPD Hollywood and take over SLO Mata's Area 6A15 (Hollywood Hills). He is coming to Hollywood as part of Chief McDonnell's reassignment of 13 SLO's from his office, across multiple divisions. SLO Negrete is the Captain of the LAPD Boxing team, and founded the LAPD Cadet Scholarship Foundation in 2015. He is a 27-year veteran of LAPD. His email: 35133@lapd.online
- Patrol Officer Henry Sanchez is on loan covering Area 6A67, which has been vacant since Cesar Corona retired this year.



II. Government Officials / Hollywood Area Reps

Anais Gonzalez
 Field Representative For CD13 (CM Hugo Soto-Martinez)
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CD13 has been working on programming to activate District 13 parks

- Lexington Avenue Park (5523 Lexington Avenue, near Western)
- Seily Rodriguez Park (5707 Lexington Avenue, at Wilton Place) - Zumba Classes
- Selma Park (6567 Selma Avenue, at Schrader) – Hollywood Partnership Ambassadors added
- Dorothy & Benjamin Smith Park (7020 Franklin Avenue at N Sycamore Ave.) – working to convert it to a dog park (there are some steps that need to happen before it can happen)

Anais also mentioned that CD13 is managing discretionary funds for street lighting repairs. Requests have been submitted to the Bureau of Street Lighting (BSL). If people have additional requests for repairs, send them to Anais.

Sidney Liss
 Field Representative For CD4 (CM Nithya Raman)
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- Next month they will start street lighting repairs in the District.
- There was a comment that all of the lights in the Holly Drive and Odin tunnels are out.
- Tuesday, September 23, 2025 CD4 will be co-hosting a “Know Your Rights” Zoom workshop.
- They are still looking for a replacement for the Field Rep role that has been vacant since J Anderson was promoted to District Director. J and Walker King are still covering the role until a replacement is hired.

III. Hollywood Entertainment District (HED)

Today's topic is focused on the Hollywood Entertainment District and efforts to keep it clean, welcoming, and safe for residents and visitors.

Captain Chavez

Part of Captain Chavez's 30-day assessment was to look at every part of the division, which obviously included the Hollywood Entertainment District. There are some criminal elements there, open drug use and activity targeting tourists and the community who visit there.

It was determined that the best way to address the issues was to implement foot beats. As of 4 weeks ago they started foot patrols, with a heavier concentration along Hollywood Boulevard between Highland Avenue and N Orange Drive (9:00 am – 10:00 pm). This is a visible deterrent to crime. They have received positive feedback from the community and a noted reduction in crime.

Sgt. Colley

The Hollywood Chamber of Commerce has recently launched a new public safety part of their work. LAPD has been working with them.

The Hollywood Partnership has been critical in addressing quality of life issues (see Angela's update below for details).

SLO Brian White

The most common feedback that SLO White and SLO Cohen (assigned to HED) is that LAPD needed to be more of a visible presence for people to feel safe. These new foot beat patrols are going a long way to answer that. Just having uniformed officers present will deter criminal activity from happening.

He also mentioned the community walks they have done in the past. The idea is to have community members walk with an officer along the boulevard and discuss whatever comes up and witness for themselves the area. It's great "hands-on" learning.

Q: Are there any plans about extending the foot beats further east towards Gower?

A: The Hollywood Partnership Ambassadors are working with them to address issues and let LAPD know of problem areas. But, the currently the main focus is the heavily impacted tourist zone.

Q: What's being done to address the people who are renting exotic cars (Ferrari) on the Boulevard to people who end up in the hillsides speeding and creating safety concerns?

A: There is already traffic control working to address that.

Street Vending Enforcement

Currently vending on Hollywood Boulevard is technically illegal. For years it's been allowed to happen. Captain Chavez has started with the lowest level of enforcement: education. SLO's are speaking with vendors.

The office of CM Hugo Soto-Martinez has been working on plans for a pilot program that would create a special vending zone in Hollywood.

Q: What about the street vending pilot program, is LAPD included in the plans? And, what are the issues around interagency coordination for enforcement in the area? Is there a lack of resources for handling challenges?

A: Captain Chavez has met with CD13 but has not had the opportunity to meet with the consultant they have hired to develop the street vendor pilot program. New legislation is slow, and it may take several years for the changes to happen, in the meantime LAPD's role is to enforce existing laws.

Note: In February of 2024 the LA City Council voted unanimously to remove "no vending zones" - blanket bans in areas like the Hollywood Walk of Fame, Dodger Stadium, Universal City Walk, following a lawsuit and the decriminalization of street vending at the state level.

For more in depth discussion on this topic, there is a Hollywood Business Community Town Hall scheduled for September 24th.

Q & A Misc.

Q: What is happening with the dedicated party house patrol?

A: CD4 has funded one that works on the weekends.

Q: What happened to bicycle patrols?

A: They are back. You should start to see them along Hollywood Blvd. (4-6 officers)

Note: the bike patrol has been set back since an accident (May 2022) that resulted in the injury and death of a training instructor during a training exercise.

Q: Are there still security cameras along the Boulevard?

A: Yes, but they won't tell you where they are.

Q: Is there signage that says, "you are on camera" – if not, could that be implemented?

A: They will look into that.

Hollywood Partnership Update – Angela La Riva

Angela is the Vice President of Operations for The Hollywood Partnership (THP).

THP has moved into a new office space over the old Toyota of Hollywood lot.

They are in the process of building a security camera network on their website, and LAPD will have access to this.

THP has an ambassador program with a 3-team approach: cleaning, safety and hospitality.

They also work in partnership with LA City's CIRCLE program on issues related to homelessness, mental health and addiction.

To make a service request

Online: <https://hollywoodpartnership.com/clean-and-safe-services/service-request>

Or call / text: (567) 459-9663

For street closures in the Hollywood Entertainment District visit:

<https://hollywoodpartnership.com/alerts>

IV. Upcoming Events / Announcements

Coffee With a Cop – Capital One Café

Sept 17, 2025 | 11:30 am | 6801 Hollywood Blvd

Hollywood Business Community Town Hall

Sept 24, 2025 | 5:00 pm | 6501 Fountain Ave – Hollywood Community Room

Coffee With a Cop – Madame Tussauds

Sept 25, 2025 | 10:00 am | 6993 Hollywood Blvd

Blood Drive

Sept 26, 2025 | 7:00 am–3:00 pm | 6501 Fountain Ave – Hollywood Community Room

Faith & Blue Community Festival

Oct 11, 2025 | 12:00–5:00 pm | 6003 Carlos St @ La Baig Ave

Note: SLO Mika Gonzalez is the point of contact for Faith& Blue. She asked for support from the community for this event (\$ donations). Her email is: 41018@lapd.online

Next CPAB Meeting

Tuesday, Nov 18, 2025 | 5:00–6:00 pm

Meeting Adjourned at 5:59 pm