

# **COMMUNITY POLICING ADVISORY**

## **BOARD 03/21/2024**

This meeting was held in person at the Central Station Conference Room as well as on ZOOM and was recorded. Start time 1005 hours.

### **Guest Speaker:**

\* Officer Castro from LAPD “Real Time”

-New System involves technologies from all different law agencies. These different technologies include: Body Worn Video, License plate readers, business surveillance that are taking place live “in real time”.

-This system is to reduce crimes such as Retail Theft, Car Burglaries, smash and grabs, robberies, burglaries from businesses, etc.

-The Goals are: To improve public safety, reduce property as well as violent crime, organized retail theft, vehicle crimes, and lastly improve investigations in order for officers to find these suspects quicker and to help detectives do their job more efficiently in hopes for a better outcome in court for filing and prosecuting these suspects.

-Current area that have these systems are Central, Hollywood, and Van Nuys. We will see these systems more throughout the city in all divisions within the next year.

### **Captain III Jovel & Captain I Broussard Crime updates:**

-Central #3 out of all 21 LAPD divisions in crime reduction.

-Auto thefts continue to be an ongoing issue, Central had over 300,000 stolen vehicles within the last year. As of right now Central is averaging 25 stolen cars per week in the DTLA area.

\*Captain Jovel reiterates that these suspects will continue to get processed and booked to Jail, not just citing them out.

-Copper Wire theft task forces continue to take place and there have been a significant amount of arrests made.

**Traffic Updates:** Central had more traffic related deaths within the last year than homicides.

welfare checks, indecent exposure, intoxication, noise disturbances, mental health crisis, and trespass disputes.

-3 LAPD divisions have these teams implemented and handling these calls; Wilshire, Devonshire, and Southeast. Last week they handled 83 calls for service. They have been advised if their situation requires further police assistance, they have been given a police radio and can request police presence.

-This will eventually be implemented throughout all 21 divisions.

**\*South American Burglary Groups:**

-These are groups of individuals are working together tactically and targeting businesses and homes to burglarize in the LA, Ventura, San Diego and Riverside counties.

-They have wif-fi jammers, they can hack into security home systems, so LAPD is constructing a task force to combat these crimes.

**Senior Lead Officer Kellogg- Chinatown Updates:**

-Cleanups will be taking place on Alhambra / College.

-Gate and fence repairs in the area of the businesses such as Homeboy Industries.

-Crime has been down in the area.

**Senior Lead Officer Janata- Convention Center Updates:**

-Officer Janata and Officer Solorzano will be handling the areas of the convention center, Civic center, City Hall, City Hall East, and the courts.

-A lot of crimes against persons in these areas such as batteries, and simple assaults, indecent exposures, etc.

-Officers have been conducting foot beats and high visibility in these areas to work on the reduction of these crimes.

**Senior Lead Officer Martinez- Updates for Historic core:**

-Red Curb being implemented on 5<sup>th</sup> st between Broadway and Hill St.

-Safety meetings taking place with businesses in the area.

-Meeting with Starbucks to discuss crime taking place such as trespassing and theft. All other crime has been down.

**Senior Lead Officer Gutierrez – East Side of skid row update:**

-Clean up taking place on March 28<sup>th</sup> on 3<sup>rd</sup> street.

-Crime has been down in this area, no further updates.

**Senior Lead officer Joseph -Skid row updates:**

-Biggest issues are the Winston / San Pedro Areas regarding encampments/ homeless tents being setup in that area.

-Robberies, aggravated assaults taking place however crime numbers have been down compared to in the past.

**Community Police Advisory Board Election Updates:**

-David Spivak was voted for Co-Chair.

-Blair Besten was voted for secretary.

**\*Community Events, Q&A:**

-Dodgers Opening Game March 28<sup>th</sup> @ 1:30pm

-Easter Event @ William Mead.

-Unveiling of Mural Painting of Shohei Ohtani in Little Tokyo on March 27<sup>th</sup> @ 11am.

-Wellness day at California Hospital April 6<sup>th</sup> 10am-2pm

**Questions/ Inquiries:**

\*Members of the Midnight/ LA missions are requesting LAFD to be present at the next CPAB meetings in order to build stronger relationships between the community and the Fire Department.

Captain Jovel made note of it and will reach out to Fire Captain of the Station 9 located off 7<sup>th</sup> st for them to attend the next meeting.

**Meeting was adjourned 1120 hours.**