



AREA 35 UPDATE

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LET'S WORK TOGETHER TO CREATE AN ENVIRONMENT CONDUCIVE TO CHANGE

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March 2024 Update

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I'M BAAAACK!



I have returned from a long hiatus. If you need anything, please feel free to call me.

Remember, it will take more than the luck of a leprechaun to

keep you safe. Common sense and situational awareness are the true keys to reducing your chance of becoming a victim.

IN MEMORIAM



I'd like to offer my deepest condolences to the families of those we lost in 2023. It was an unusual year due to the amount of fentanyl deaths in the area. May the following people rest in peace.

Juawan Fortune – Victim 5th and Main

Myron Huntington – 5th and Main

KIAs and HONDAS



If you own a Kia or Honda, they are being targeted for Grand Theft Auto. Please go to your local dealer and have your keys reprogrammed to help prevent it.

THANK YOU

Thank you all for the thoughts and prayers while I was injured. I truly missed serving you. I am back and ready to help any way I can.

THE CITIZEN'S ACADEMY



Hey y'all. I am inviting you to come be a part of our LAPD Central Citizen's Academy. I'll be teaching a class or two. Whether you live or work in the Historic Core or Skid Row, we want you there. Send an E-mail to my partner Lidia Solorzano at 41499@lapd.online and she will send you an application. It's 8 weeks, one day a week for a couple of hours, where you will get a better understandin of policing in our Division. You wanted transparency, we are serving it up for you. We'd love to have ya!! Starts March 14th.

Get your application in before then.

THE CENTRAL AREA CLERGY COUNCIL

We are relaunching the Central Area Clergy Council. We invite leaders from all faiths to be a part of it. Today, in almost every facet of society, the faith community is losing its voice. We at LAPD Central welcome your voice and want your input in how we can better serve all. We think it would be an incredible partnership. Our next meeting is in April. Shoot me an email if you are interested in joining.



HEADS UP, PHONES DOWN



Please do not get stuck walking around looking at your phone. There are individuals out there looking to catch you off guard. My strong suggestion is while walking downtown, please keep your head on a swivel, and your phone in your pocket until you need it. If you insist on staying on

your phone, have you back to a wall and look up from time to time, so you don't become a victim.

TENTS AND SIDEWALK ACCESS



Please seek housing and shelter over the streets. Yet if you insist on camping on the sidewalk, please make sure there is three feet of space for people to be able to utilize the sidewalks. Many of your neighbors have special needs and should not have to be in the stree to get where they need to go.

SPRING, MAIN AND LA STREETS



I can't say it enough folks. Please take your valuables out of your vehicles. Especially in the above mentioned corridors.

- Remove important electronics, bags and documents
- Lock your car.

It only takes a few seonnds for the items you paid for are stolen. Do all you can to make yourself less of a target.

SOCKS AND KITS

I have socks and hygiene kits available. If you see me and need some, holla at your boy!!!



WELL WISHES

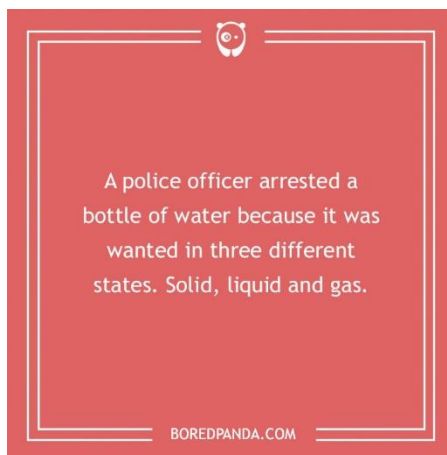
Please continue to keep Wendell Blassingame in your thoughts and prayers. Get better, Sir!!!



INSPIRATIONAL QOUTE OF THE MONTH

“Obstacles are what you see when you take your eye off the goal”

COP JOKES OF THE MONTH



CRIME STOPPERS



We had a disturbing murder occur at 525 S. Main Street on 12/26/23. We really need your help in solving it.

If you want provide tips on shootings in the area, call (800)222-TIPS

TO ALL LOW-INCOME SUPPORTIVE HOTELS



I know your mission is important. I also know some of the hindrances you have in changing people's lives. I hope I have proven to you over the years that I support you and want you to thrive in your mission to help those who seek refuge and peace at your facilities.

If you suspect someone is selling narcotics in your hotel, whether they are from outside or within, you can give me a call. I'll provide that information to the proper investigative team to try to work the problem. It's that easy. Call or email me.

It is our job as law enforcement to create the environment conducive to change, so that the incredible

PLEASE KEEP YOUR RADIOS DOWN



I get a lot of complaints from people who live in the community about loud radios.

At the end of the day, it comes down to respect. You must respect people's right to peace and quiet. Many people in this area are in recovery, and struggle with many issues. The noise interferes

with their recovery and impacts their mental health.

Skid Row is not a quasi community. It is a real community. There are people here who want the same thing people want in other communities. And that is a safe, sane and quiet place to live.

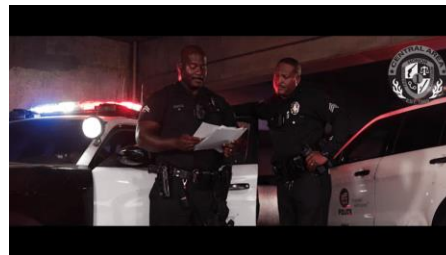
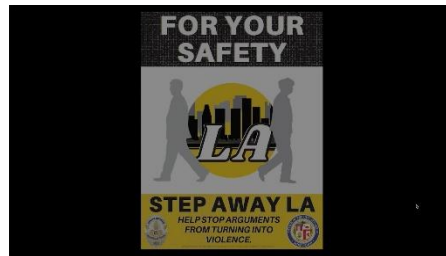
I know you love your music. I have to admit, some of it I love, but when the community is in right standing with the law, I must support them. There are laws in place that prohibit playing loud music in residential areas. I want to educate you on them, so it will be no surprise if I have to enforce the law. Which I do not want to do, but if I cannot get the cooperation from you, you will be cited for the following violations:

112.01 LAMC – Loud radios/stereos, TVs, musical instruments, amplified devices are prohibited in residential area.

41.57 LAMC – Loud or raucous noises from any sound making or sound amplifying device in your control.

As you know, I only cite people as a last resort. Please keep your radios down to a minimum. Think of your neighbors. Most are not going to tell you because they are trying to avoid confrontation. That's why they call me. and I will respond.

STEP AWAY LA



We are still urging all to all to walk away from arguments that can turn into violence. We are still getting too many reports where two people are arguing over something trivial, and someone ends up seriously hurt. Please walk away and be safe in 2024.