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HOLLYWOOD NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH NEWS

Senior Lead Officer Unit

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GET INVOLVED IN YOUR COMMUNITY

Please come out and help shape the future of your community.

Hollywood United Neighborhood Council: Monthly Board Meetings are held the 2nd Monday of every month at 6:00 PM. Their website address is: www.hollywoodunitednc.org.

Hollywood Hills West Neighborhood Council: Monthly Board Meetings are held the 3rd Wednesday of every month at 6:00PM. Their website address is: www.hhwnc.org.

Hollywood Dell Neighborhood Association: General Meetings are held the 2nd Wednesday of every month at 7:00PM. 1900 Vine Street, Los Angeles, CA 90028.

Hollywood Hills West Neighborhood Council: Monthly Board Meeting are held every 3rd Wednesday of the month, their website address is www.hhwnc.org.

Bel Air Beverly Crest Neighborhood Council: Monthly Board Meeting are held every 4th Wednesday of the month, their website address is www.babcn.org.

Hollywood Studio District Neighborhood Council: Monthly Board Meeting are held on the 2nd Monday of each month from 6:30PM to 7:30PM. Their website is www.hsdnc.org.

Central Hollywood Neighborhood Council: Monthly Board Meeting are held on the 4th Monday of each month from 6:30PM to 7:30PM. Their website is www.chnc.org.

Hollywood Community Police Advisory Board (CPAB): Meeting will resume in-person on Tuesday, April 11, 2023, at 5:00 PM at the Hollywood Municipal building located at 6501 Fountain Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90028. Option to join remotely will be provided upon request.

If you are interested in becoming a Block Captain and starting a Neighborhood Watch Program in your neighborhood, please call your Senior Lead Officer at the numbers listed below for further details.

WHO TO CONTACT

For crimes in progress and medical emergencies dial: 911

To report suspicious activity or person(s) , call the Los Angeles Police Department Non-Emergency phone number at 877-ASK-LAPD (877-275-5273).

Are you interested in knowing about spontaneous police activity in your neighborhood? If so, you may want to try the “Citizen app.” Get real-time safety alerts and live videos of incidents happening near you.

Please let your friends that live in the City know about the Department’s Community Online Reporting Service (CORS). LAPD offers an online reporting service at www.lapdonline.org. We highly encourage using this fast and easy service to avoid coming to the station. The following crimes are eligible for online reporting: Theft, Lost Property, Theft/Burglary from a Motor vehicle, Identity Theft, Minor-Injury Traffic Collisions, Hit and Run Traffic Collisions, Annoying or Harassing phone calls/tests/emails, and Vandalism. Upon completion of your online reporting, you will immediately receive a temporary report number and be able to print a copy of the report. The following requirements must be met to complete online reporting services:

- The incident is not an emergency.
- The incident occurred within the City of Los Angeles.
- You must be at least 18 years old.
- No one was injured as a result of the incident.
- There are no known suspect(s).
- The incident did not occur on the state highway.
- No firearms were involved in the incident.
- You must have an e-mail address.

HELP US PREVENT TERRORISM – “See Something, Report to iWATCH”

iWatch is a community programs and partnership between the public and Los Angeles Police Department. The program educates the community regarding possible acts of terrorism by teaching them about behaviors and activities that appear unusual and/or seem to be out of the ordinary, makes them aware of important places to watch, and informs them on key details that should be included as part of the reporting process.

There are three platforms for public reporting:

- 1.) iWatch mobile application
- 2.) Online through LAPDOnline.org or iWATCHLA.ORG
- 3.) 1-877-A-THREAT (1-877-284-7328)

SENIOR LEAD OFFICER UPDATES

Hollywood Boulevard Foot Beat, “Walking with the Stars”

Senior Lead Officer Brian White, (213) 793-0702

Senior Lead Officer Brett Cohen, (424) 215-4754

Basic Car. District Coordinator, Sergeant Garrett Colley (323) 871-4068

Crime Trends:

Nightlife has returned to the Hollywood Entertainment District. Please keep the following tips in mind to help prevent yourself from becoming a victim:

- If you are patronizing a restaurant, bar, or nightclub, drink responsibly within your limits.
 - Keep an eye out for your friends - Arrive Together, Stick Together, and Leave Together.
 - Don't leave items in plain view inside your parked vehicle – Lock It, Hide It, Keep It.
 - When inside restaurants, bars, nightclubs, cafés, etc., don't leave your personal property unattended (i.e. purses, cell phones, laptops, etc.)
 - When walking along the sidewalk, keep your head and eyes up while being aware of your surroundings. Avoid the distractions of cell phones and social media.
- ❖ We have seen an increase/pattern of street robberies where the victims have been specifically targeted for their high value watches and chain necklaces. Club patrons, if you wear these high value jewelry items, please be cognizant of where/what you are broadcasting and who may be watching.

Nightlife Venues:

If you have any concerns about noise or other issues related to nightlife venues in the Hollywood area, please let me know via phone call or email. We have worked hard to build working relationships with many of the venue owners/operators, and ideally, we can use those working relationships to find quick resolutions to your issues. The Hollywood Vice Unit and I can also coordinate and develop an enforcement plan for those instances where traditional enforcement would be required.

Hollywood Partnership Website:

For info on scheduled events, street closures, attractions, dining, and businesses within the entertainment district, please check out the Hollywood Partnership website. www.hollywoodpartnership.com

Walk of Fame Star Ceremonies:

For info regarding upcoming star ceremonies, please check out the Official Website of the Hollywood Walk of Fame website www.walkoffame.com

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the Hollywood Entertainment District, please contact Police Officer Brian White, on his City cell at (213) 793-0702, or by email at 38074@lapd.online and Police Officer Brett Cohen on his City cell at (424) 215-4754, or by email at 40760@lapd.online.

As always, you can also call the Hollywood Area Community Relations Office at (323) 871-4068.

Hollywood 6A15, "The Hills of Hollywood "

Senior Lead Officer Heather Mata (213) 308-0455

Basic Car. District Coordinator, Sergeant Garrett Colley (323) 871-4068

Crime Trends:

Property crimes such as vehicle and residential break-ins and mail/package thefts continue to be the top crimes in the hills. As summer approaches, we can expect an increase in vehicle break-ins on the streets and parking areas surrounding hiking trails. Please consider the following tips to help avoid becoming a victim:

- Make sure all your home doors and windows are locked and secure.
- Keep your vehicles locked, and don't leave any valuables in sight of prying eyes.
- Pay attention to your package delivery schedules. If you won't be home around the time of your delivery, consider re-directing the package to a holding facility where you can pick it up when you are available.

If you see anyone that looks suspicious in your neighborhood call the non-emergency dispatch number (877-ASK-LAPD) and report the incident. You, the community members are our number one source for reporting any suspicious activity. So, keep your eyes and ears open and help to protect your neighborhood.

Neighborhood Concerns:

Party Houses – If your neighborhood is experiencing nuisance activity related to a chronic party house, be sure to let me know. I work closely with our night watch officers and City Attorney Neighborhood Prosecutor to coordinate enforcement efforts and potentially prosecute stubborn tenants/property owners.

Trespassing – If you are experiencing an increase problem with people trespassing in your neighborhood, feel free to reach out to me directly via email at 40988@lapd.online and I will send you over a trespass authorization form for your property.

Short Term Rental Properties:

If your neighborhood is experiencing nuisance activity related to short term rental properties, please refer to the LA City Planning Home Sharing Portal at <https://planning.lacity.org/plans-policies/initiatives-policies/home-sharing>. Here you can learn about the various guidelines for short term rentals, and more importantly, you will find contact info for the home sharing unit and a 24/7 hotline where you can file home sharing related complaints – (213) 267-7788.

Please check out the MyLA311 app for a great resource to create various city service requests.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me on my cellular phone, (213) 308-0455, or email me at 40988@lapd.online. As always, you can also call the Hollywood Area Community Relations Office at (323) 871-4068.

Hollywood 6A31, "Hollywood Hills"

Senior Lead Officer Ralph Sanchez (213) 793-0704

Basic Car. District Coordinator, Sergeant Garrett Colley (323) 871-4068

Greetings,

Crime Trends:

We are seeing an increase in theft from motor vehicles, burglary from motor vehicles, residential burglaries, package thefts, and trespassing in the surrounding neighborhoods.

Follow Home Robberies: Be aware of your surroundings! If you feel like you are being followed, DO NOT go home. Drive safely to the nearest Police Station and call in for advice. Use your horn to get attention!

Continue the great work of being vigilant in your community. If you see anyone who is looking suspicious in your neighborhood, contact our LAPD non-emergency phone number at (877) ASK-LAPD. Officers will be dispatched to as soon as they can. If you witness an emergency, please call 9-1-1.

Crime Reports:

Did you know that certain reports can now be completed online? The following crimes/ incidents can be reported online if the following criteria is met (WWW.LAPDONLINE.ORG) and occurred in the City of Los Angeles.

- Identity Theft: When the incident involved use of credit/debit card to purchase items/ withdraw cash
- Lost Property: When property was unintentionally left by its true owner
- Harassing/ Annoying Phone Calls or Emails: When any person, with intent to annoy, makes repeated contact with the Victim
- Burglary/ Theft from Motor Vehicle, Plain Theft/ or Petty Theft: Property valued at less than five-thousand dollars, property was not a firearm, the reporting person is the true owner of the property taken, and there is no evidence of the crime (Example: Tools/ Instruments/ Weapons)
- Grand Theft Pickpocket: Suspect not at scene, no possibility of locating Suspect through limited follow-up, and the property taken is valued at less than five-thousand dollars.
- Vandalism: Suspect is not at location, damage is valued at less than five-thousand dollars, not the result of a gunshot, does not involve: Hate Crime, Domestic Violence, Restraining Order, or a Labor Dispute
- Traffic Collisions: Involving minor damage, and complaint of pain/ visible injuries.
- Hit and Run Traffic Collisions: No injuries and does not involve City Property

Party Houses/ Short Term Rentals:

When your neighborhood experiences repeated nuisance activities due to short term rentals, please contact 877-ASK-LAPD. It may take some time for a patrol unit to arrive at a non-emergency location, but you will have at least generated an incident number to track the amount of time resources are being called to the location for future enforcement. You may also contact the Los Angeles City Planning Home Sharing Portal at [HTTPS://PLANNING.LACITY.ORG/PLANS-POLICIES/INITIATIVES-POLICIES/HOME-SHARING](https://planning.lacity.org/plans-policies/initiatives-policies/home-sharing) or call (213) 267-7788 24/7 to file a complaint.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me on my cellular phone, (213) 308-0455, or email me at 30735@lapd.online. As always, you can also call the Hollywood Area Community Relations Office at (323) 871-4068.

Hollywood 6A45, “The Heart of Hollywood”

Senior Lead Officer Brian Oliver (213)793-0703

Basic Car. District Coordinator, Sergeant Garrett Colley (323) 871-4068

Hello to the residents of the 6A45 Basic Car Area.

Due to changing events with Hollywood Bowl and Movie Premieres in the area please refer to www.navigatehollywood.com for the most accurate street closure information.

Crime Trends:

Always be aware of your surroundings. With all the distractions going on around us, having a heightened sense of your surroundings is the first and often most important step in keeping yourself safe.

Your safety is the most important thing. Please if you feel you are being followed DO NOT drive home. Drive to a well-lit public area or to the police station. Do NOT confront the possible suspect, call 9-1-1 stay on the line and advise them of your location that you are driving to.

Property crimes such as burglaries and thefts from motor vehicles are still a prevalent crime in our area. Do NOT leave valuables visible in your car while parking. Be sure to lock your vehicles. Consider making a quick stop before you reach your destination to transfer valuable items into your trunk.

Know your neighborhood. Take some time to get to know your neighbors. For those of you with dogs, walking your dog is a great way to do this. It provides the opportunity to meet your neighbors and see what vehicles are regularly parked in the area. It also allows you to see who comes into the neighborhood regularly such as gardeners, utility workers, etc. As a resident of a neighborhood, you know best when something or someone is out of place. If you see someone behaving suspiciously, or possibly “casing” the neighborhood for a future crime, call police. Take note of the person’s physical description, clothing, type of vehicle and license plate.

Be aware of your surroundings. With all the modern gadgets we have, it is very easy to be distracted. While on patrol, I regularly see people fixated on their phones, oblivious to what is going on around them. This also applies when you are driving your vehicle. For instance, while you are stopped in traffic a criminal can easily approach your car and grab something valuable from the passenger seat (phone, purse, laptop) and quickly flee.

Be cautious of what you put on social media. Broadcasting your vacation plans just makes you more vulnerable to the thieves trolling the internet.

For more crime prevention tips and safety measures about protecting yourself or for questions about upcoming meetings, please contact me on my cellphone at (213) 793-0703 or at the Community Relations Office at (323) 871-4068 or by e-mail at 37349@lapd.online. Thank you and be safe.

Hollywood Basic Car 6A49 "Get involved and make a difference"

Senior Lead Officer Mika Gonzalez, (323) 337-6580

Basic Car. District Coordinator, Sergeant Garrett Colley (323) 871-4068

"Serving the section of Hollywood from Vine Street to Normandie Avenue, between Franklin Avenue and Sunset Boulevard"

Crime Trends:

Property crimes such as burglaries and thefts from motor vehicles are still a prevalent crime in our area. Do NOT leave valuables visible in your car while parking. Be sure to lock your vehicles. Consider making a quick stop before you reach your destination to transfer valuable items into your trunk.

Remember that most of the property crimes in our area are crimes of opportunity, please continue to secure your bicycles inside your residence or in a well-lit area. Lock your cars and PLEASE hide your valuables from plain sight. Lock It! Hide It! Keep It! is a very effective way of not being a victim of a car break-in

As for the Residential Burglaries, the majority of these happen during the day. I want to encourage our residents to continue being vigilant and communicate with neighbors when you see something is not right in the area. It is important to be aware of your surroundings and be fully alert when traveling to and from your car on the streets. Security cameras are very affordable and play a big part in helping police identify and arrest individuals committing crimes in your neighborhood.

The best defense against this is a strong Neighborhood Watch programs. If you do not have one in your area, please contact me to learn how to get started.

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- Vandalism: Suspect is not at location, damage is valued at less than five-thousand dollars, not the result of a gunshot, does not involve: Hate Crime, Domestic Violence, Restraining Order, or a Labor Dispute
- Traffic Collisions: Involving minor damage, and complaint of pain/ visible injuries.
- Hit and Run Traffic Collisions: No injuries and does not involve City Property

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this area, please contact Officer Gonzalez at (323) 337-6580, or via e-mail at 41018@lapd.online. As always you can call the Hollywood Area Community Relations Office at (323) 871-4068.

Hollywood Basic Car 6A63 “In the center of it all.”

Senior Lead Officer Paul Jordan, (213) 793-0632

Basic Car. District Coordinator, Sergeant Garrett Colley (323) 871-4068

Crime Trends:

Your officers are working hard, making arrests and doing their absolute best to keep you all safe. Property crimes including residential burglaries continue to decline and continue to trend downward.

Currently in my basic car area burglary from motor vehicle crimes are occurring between the hours of 2300 and 0400. They are occurring around the nightclubs and after-hour establishments. Protect Yourself and Your Property. Don't become a Victim. Below is a list of ideas that you can follow to protect your vehicle from being stolen and your home from being burglarized.

1. Make sure your vehicle is always locked and secured.
2. Never leave items in your vehicle, especially in plain view.
3. Always lock your residence windows and doors prior to leaving.
4. Be a good neighbor and observer. Report all suspicious activity with “Lost persons” or “trespassers,” no matter how insignificant it might seem. Be aware of suspicious vehicles, persons and phone calls.

Meetings:

On Wednesday, April 12, 2023, we will be holding our monthly Santa Monica Boulevard Business / Security Meeting. This meeting is for Security Personnel members who work around Santa Monica Boulevard/Highland Avenue. The meeting will begin at 1:00 p.m. and the location is TBD.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding my area, please contact me on my cellular phone, (213) 793-0632. As always you can call the Hollywood Area Community Relations Office at (323) 871-4068, or you can e-mail me at 32285@lapd.online.

Hollywood 6A67, “Living off the Boulevard”

Senior Lead Officer Cesar Corona, (213) 793-0705

Basic Car. District Coordinator, Sergeant Garrett Colley (323) 871-4068

Serving the Central area of Hollywood where many of your local studios are located.

Crime Trends:

Protect Yourself and Your Property. Don't become a Victim. Below is a list of ideas that you can follow to protect your vehicle from being stolen and your home from being burglarized.

1. Make sure your vehicle is always locked and secured.
2. Never leave items in your vehicle, especially in plain view.
3. Always lock your residence windows and doors prior to leaving.
4. Be a good neighbor and observer. Report all suspicious activity with “Lost persons” or “trespassers,” no matter how insignificant it might seem.
5. Be aware of suspicious vehicles, persons and phone calls.

Please use the MyLA311 APP on your smartphone to report non-emergent public service needs such as graffiti removal, bulky items, homeless encampments, and any other nuisance activity. Report criminal activity as soon as possible. Call 911 for emergencies and call (877) ASK-LAPD for non-emergencies.

The nature of policing and addressing quality of life issues in the City of Los Angeles continues to change and our Department revisited which types of incidents it will respond to and which types will be referred to another entity, the Community Online Reporting System, or an Area Community Police Station for telephonic reporting. Our Communications Division is now working closely with the Mayor's Crisis and Incident Response through Community-Led Engagement (CIRCLE) team to develop an alternative approach to working with persons experiencing homelessness (PEH) in the City of Los Angeles. The CIRCLE team contracted Urban Alchemy (UA) to be used as a diversion program for PEH. Urban Alchemy citizen phone number is (213) 214-2404.

For crime prevention tips and safety measures about protecting oneself please contact me on my cellphone, (213)793-0705. As always you can call the Hollywood Area Community Relations Office at (323) 871-4068, or you can e-mail me at 30987@lapd.online.

Hollywood Basic Car 6A77, "Nuestra Voz, Nuestra Comunidad"

Senior Lead Officer Jesse Rubalcava (213) 793-0706

Basic Car. District Coordinator, Sergeant Garrett Colley (323) 871-4068

"Serving the section of Hollywood from Seward Street to the 101 freeway, between Santa Monica Boulevard and Melrose Avenue"

Crime Trends:

Minor aggravated assaults have slightly risen in recent weeks. Remember to always be aware of your surroundings and whenever possible use the buddy system when walking around your community.

Crime Prevention:

Please go to www.lapd.online to file an online police report and to get crime statistics in your neighborhood. Instantly become aware of what crime trends are happening around your community.

Report criminal activity as soon as possible. Call 911 for emergencies and call (877) ASK-LAPD for non-emergencies. For any calls concerning quality of life issues, which include illegal trash and bulky item dumping, graffiti, street lighting, potholes, etc.... Please download the City of Los Angeles "MyLA311" App. You can call at (800) 773-2489, to request this City services. For graffiti removal, contact, (800) 611-2489.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding my area, please contact me on my cellular phone (213) 793-0706. As always you can call the Hollywood Area Community Relations Office at (323) 871-4068, or you can also e-mail me at: 38655@lapd.online.

Hollywood Basic Car 6A79 "East Hollywood Happenings"

Senior Lead Officer Annabelle Eubank (213) 793-0711

Basic Car. District Coordinator, Sergeant Garrett Colley (323) 871-4068

Crime Trends:

Property crime continues to be a problem in our area. Hollywood Division has focused its enforcement efforts along the Western and Sunset Corridor. Hollywood Officers along with West Traffic Officers have been directed to conduct extra patrol in these areas throughout their shifts.

Auto theft and car break-ins continue to occur. Please remember to lock your vehicles and secure your belongings. Popular items that attract attention are purses, wallets, backpacks, cellphones, tablets and

luggage. Please do not leave these enticing items in plain view. Avoid leaving spare keys and remote garage openers in your vehicle, particularly in tandem parking garages. Perpetrators target our area due to the higher residential density. Park your car in areas frequently traveled by pedestrians and consider parking in well-lit streets.

Home Depot remains a priority for police presence due to continued crime and quality of life issues. Much of our focused efforts has been removing graffiti, educating the street vendors on current permit requirements, discouraging loitering and enforcing on the drinking in public and gambling activity. If you frequent Home Depot or the neighboring area, please report criminal activity. If you see something, say something!

Free Bulky Item Pickup:

Let's keep our area clean of trash and furniture items. The City of Los Angeles has created a City Service Request App called MYLA 311. Please download it today and start making a difference in your neighborhood. I encourage you all to utilize this handy App to request bulky item pick up, graffiti removal, potholes, broken sidewalks and more. Share it with your family, friends and neighbors.

Non-Police Related Services:

Help reduce the call load of our emergency lines. Contact the 311 operators for all Non-Police Related Services. To report Non-Emergency situations requiring police intervention, please contact our Non-Emergency line at 877-ASK-LAPD, (877) 275-5273.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding my area, please contact me directly at (213) 793-0711 or by email at 37352@lapd.online. Our Hollywood Area Community Relations Office can be reached at (323) 871-4068. Thank you.

Crime Prevention Tips

- **IF YOU'RE HOME AND SOMEONE KNOCKS OR RINGS YOUR DOORBELL, DO NOT IGNORE IT.** Would be burglars like to knock to determine if someone is home before attempting to break in. So, please make sure you verbally acknowledge the person without opening the door. If you have not invited someone to your home, you should not open the door for them.
- **SECURITY AND/OR DOOR BELL SYSTEMS WITH VIDEO** are becoming an affordable option to help reduce your chances of becoming a victim. Please consider these options to protect your home.
- **DON'T LEAVE YOUR KEYS IN YOUR VEHICLES.** Whether you are tandem parked, parked in a garage, or just going inside for a moment (i.e. gas station, your home, etc.), do not leave your keys in your vehicles.
- **STEERING WHEEL LOCKS.** 1990's Toyota's and Honda's are some of the most common vehicles stolen. These vehicles have door locks and ignitions that are easily compromised. Steering wheel locks are good tools to assist in deterring criminals from taking these vehicles.
- **LOCK YOUR CAR AND PARK IT IN A GARAGE OR LIGHTED AREA.** Make it difficult to get into your car. If it is outside, make your car as visible as possible. Do not leave anything valuable or visible in your vehicles.

- **LOCK YOUR WINDOWS AND DOORS** when you leave the house. Close your blinds/drapes so no one can see into your house. Keep every part of your residence locked and secured, including your garage. Strategic lighting can also assist with crime prevention.
- **DON'T LEAVE EXPENSIVE ITEMS OUT**, place them in a drawer, safe, or somewhere else out of sight.
- **TAKE YOUR ELECTRONIC ITEMS OUT OF YOUR CAR**, this includes your cell phones, computer tablets, other portable electronics, and chargers.
- **SHOPPING CART**. Do not leave your purses in the shopping cart while loading your vehicles.