

Captain's Message

The holiday season is always a special time of the year. It is also a time when busy people become careless and vulnerable to theft and other holiday crime. We can never be too careful, too prepared or too aware. Please do not allow criminals the opportunity to take advantage of family, friends and neighbors. In this holiday season let's work together to make this season a crime free time for everyone. The Hollenbeck Community Police Station wishes you a safe, happy and peaceful holiday season.

Monthly Crime Prevention Tip

This Holiday season, don't let the spirit of giving lull you into giving burglars, muggers, nor pickpockets a chance to do their dirty work. Criminals love the holidays as much as everyone else does, chiefly because it's a perfect opportunity to commit a crime. Keep these tips in mind for a safe and happy holiday season.

Here are some tips when you're shopping.

- Always carry your California Driver License or Identification Card along with necessary cash, checks and/or a credit card you expect to use. Even though you are rushed and thinking about a thousand things, stay alert of your surroundings.
- Avoid carrying large amounts of cash. Pay for purchases with a check or credit card when possible. Keep cash in your front pocket. Notify the credit card issuer immediately if your credit card is lost, stolen or misused.
- Keep a record of all of your credit card numbers in a safe place at home.

Lock It, Hide It, Keep It,

The Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) launched a new campaign aimed at informing the public of burglary and theft from motor vehicles (BTFV and BFMV), and providing a few simple steps to keep from becoming victims of these crimes.

Taking a few extra seconds to properly store your belongings can help to eliminate this crime. There is no good reason to be the victim of a BTFV or BFMV. The average cost of a BTFV to each victim is roughly \$1885.00.

Video taken during actual Bait Car Sting Operations can be viewed on the Department's website at www.lapdonline.org. The video is evidence that

objects left in plain sight, in unlocked vehicles, are a crime of opportunity for many criminals.

The message is simple:

- **Lock It:** Lock your vehicle every time you leave it unattended and take your valuables with you.
- **Hide It:** Hide your valuables in your trunk, under the seats, in the glove box, or other compartments within the vehicle. Ideally, take your property with you.
- **Keep It:** Personal responsibility is the best prevention to safeguard personal property and to prevent becoming a victim.

Loud Parties

While peaceful family parties are part of our Southern California lifestyle, some parties are unlawful and even dangerous. In the past, young party-goers have been killed at residential parties that had been advertised by flyers at local high schools. Gang members enter the party and problems often can be fatal.

Potential party planners should be aware that it is illegal to charge admission for any party, to furnish alcohol to minors, to disturb the peace, or to produce amplified music audible beyond 150 feet from the property line. They also need to remember that they are responsible for the nature of their party and the conduct of their party-goers.

You can contact the Hollenbeck Area police to report loud parties at (323) 342-4100 or call 877-ASK-LAPD (1-877-275-5273). As always, if there is an emergency, please call 911.

Domestic Violence

Domestic violence is defined as abuse committed against a spouse, co-habitan, former co-habitan, or a person with whom the victim has had a child or is having or has had a dating or engagement relationship. Domestic violence may begin with angry words, a shove or a slap. It may escalate into a pattern of assaults and controlling behavior including physical, sexual and psychological attacks against the victim, children, property and/or pets.

Research has shown that this pattern of control and abuse increases in frequency and severity over time. Studies have shown that arrest, jail, probation and Restraining Orders deter many abusers from physically abusing their partners.

A domestic violence hotline for counseling, referrals and assistance can be reached 24 hours, every day. You will not be asked for a name or address and you can remain anonymous. The L. A. Domestic Violence Safety Plan Hotline is (1-800) 978-3600.

Abandoned Properties

Identifying abandoned properties in your area can go a long way in making your neighborhood a safer place to live. Abandoned properties attract criminal/gang activity and are an eyesore for your neighborhood. If you suspect a location is abandoned and see unusual activity, make sure you contact the Hollenbeck Area police to report it, at (323) 342-4100 or call 1-877-ASK-LAPD (1-877-275-5273). As always, if there is an emergency, please call 911.

Community Relations Information

Community Relations Office (323) 342-4140

Montecito Heights / Hermon (4A3)

Officer Richard Contreras

Phone (213) 793-0748

Current Crime Trend

For the period covering October 28, 2012 to November 24, 2012 there were 7 violent crimes and 24 property crimes reported. We had a 57% INCREASE in violent crime and a 20% DECREASE in property crime compared to last period.

Our property crime problems are in the Hermon and the Lincoln Heights area, near 5 Points. Grand Theft Auto is our primary concern in these areas. Keep track of the crimes in your neighborhood by logging on to www.Crimemapping.com and www.Nixle.com.

The Holidays are quickly approaching so let us remember to:

Lock It, Hide It, Keep It

Please continue to LOCK your doors to your vehicles. Don't forget to HIDE your personal belongings as well. This may very well keep you from becoming a victim of theft.

Here are a few LA City Resources:

Stored / Abandoned Vehicles

1-800-ABANDON (1-800-222-6366)

<http://wmq.etimspayments.com/pbw/include/la/compl>

[aintform.jsp?complainttype=1](#)

Graffiti Removal Request Form

[http://anti-](http://anti-graffiti.lacity.org/welcome.cfm?CFID=216&CFTOKEN=EA389268-D626-4405-A0097A9AD7D462FA)

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Illegal Dumping Pick up Request form

http://san.lacity.org/solid_resources/refuse/SR_IllegalDumping.html.

El Sereno-University Hills (4A9)

Senior Lead Officer Steve Morales

Phone (213) 793-0749

Current Crime Trend

The El Sereno basic car (4A9) has had a decrease in violent crime for the last four week period (10-28-12/11-24-12). There were 8 reported violent crimes. There were four robberies and four aggravated assaults.

Property crime increased with 30 crimes in this period. There were 13 GTA's (grand theft autos), eight burglaries, six BTFV's (burglary or theft from vehicles) and three plain thefts. There were no patterns or similar suspects.

There was a well-publicized possible rape/kidnap at El Sereno Recreation Center. After an exhaustive search, a victim and/or suspect were not located. A community alert composite was distributed, also with negative results.

Hollenbeck Division as a whole has had an increase in property crime. The main issues are stolen vehicles and thefts.

Crime Tip

Older model Honda and Toyota vehicles are particularly targeted. If you own one of these vehicles, please use some type of security device. A steering wheel lock device can be obtained through Hollenbeck Community Relations.

To check the crime in your area, go to

WWW.LAPDCRIMEMAPS.ORG.

Lincoln Heights (4A15)

Senior Lead Officer Austin Fernald

(213) 793-0750

During the month of November 2012, we had one reported Robbery at N. Broadway and N. Mission Rd

on November 16th, two males approached the victim, produced a gun and took the victim's wallet. The suspects fled in 1995 Ford Tempo N/B Mission Rd towards Huntington Dr.

We've also seen an increase in GTA's along the N. Mission Rd. corridor. As in the past the vehicles were taken from the street while left unattended. You are encouraged to use locking devices and alarms to reduce the opportunity of becoming a victim.

Additional Information

The City of Los Angeles has a graffiti removal unit covering the Lincoln Heights area, Central City Action Committee. If you observe graffiti on walls in the community of Lincoln Heights, you can call to have it removed by calling 311.

Also if you have complaints that are transient related you can contact Officer Medina, his assignment is to work on transient/homeless complaints. He can be reached at (213) 793-0751.

Central Boyle Heights (4A53)
Senior Lead Officer Dan Rios
Phone (213) 793-0753

Current Crime Trend

For the period covering November 4, 2012 to November 17, 2012, there were 7 violent and 15 property crimes reported. This is a decrease in violent crime and increase in property related crimes.

Community Events

On December 15, 2012, from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm the 30th Annual Miracle on 1st St Toy Giveaway will be held at 2015 E. 1st St. There will games and live music. Come join the fun!

Holiday Crime Tip

Unfortunately the holidays are no stranger to crime. Every holiday the Police get an increase of radio calls regarding property crimes. Please do not leave gifts in your vehicle. Don't give the criminals any reason to take your hard earned money by breaking into your vehicle and taking your holiday gifts! Always be aware of your surroundings and try to shop with a friend or two.

LAPD wishes all a Happy Holiday this season, be safe out there!

Eastern Boyle Heights (4A59)
Senior Lead Officer Oscar Casini
Phone (213) 793-0752

Current Crime Trends

The current crime statistics reported that violent crime (i.e. Robbery, Assault with a Deadly Weapon, Battery, etc.) from November 18, 2012 through November 24, 2012 showed 2 violent crimes during this period.

The current crime statistics reported that property crime (i.e. Burglary, Grand Theft Auto, and Burglary from Motor Vehicle) from November 18, 2012 through November 24, 2012 showed six crimes.

We currently have 17 Homicides year to date.

No crime pattern in our area at this time.

Community Events

The Hillside Village Block Captain Meeting will host their monthly meeting on Thursday, December 13, 2012, at 6:00 P.M. The meeting will take place at Absolute Tow, 4760 Valley Bl.

The Hillside Village Home Owners Association will host their monthly meeting on Thursday, December 13, 2012, at 7:00 p.m. The meeting will take place at Absolute Tow, 4760 Valley Bl.

The Winter St. Neighborhood Watch will be hosting their meeting Tuesday, November 25, 2012, at 6:00 p.m. Please call Jose Huizar's 14 District Office (323-526-3059) for the meeting location.

If you have any questions or concerns please contact Senior Lead Officer Casini at (213) 793-0752

Western Boyle Heights (4A71)
Senior Lead Officer Joe Chacon
Phone (213) 422-1060

Current Crime Trends

The current crime statistics reported a slight increase in violent crime. The current statistics reported 11 violent crimes. The previous crime period reported 10 violent crimes. In which five were robberies and six were aggravated assaults.

Property Crime

There was a decrease in property crimes (i.e. Burglary, Grand Theft Auto, and Burglary from Motor Vehicle).

There were 30 reported property crimes. The previous crime period reported 36 property crimes. In which six were thefts, 13 were grand theft auto, seven were burglary from vehicle and four were Burglaries. The most commonly stolen vehicles in Hollenbeck continue to be Toyota and Honda.

We are having an increase in car thefts and burglary from motor vehicles. Here are a few pointers in what you should know about preventing car thefts. Lock your car and pocket the key. Shut windows tightly whenever you park. Even a tiny gap allows a thief to insert a wire to pry up the lock button. Lock all doors and the trunk or hatchback every time you leave your car. Lock the garage door, too, if you have one. Never leave a car running unattended even for a minute! Your car can easily be stolen. Don't conceal a spare key inside or outside the car. Thieves know all the hiding places. Don't disconnect the buzzer that warns of keys left in the ignition. It's for your protection. Avoid leaving keys with a garage or lot attendant by choosing a place where you park your own car, whenever possible.

Park in a well-lit area where there are plenty of passers-by, near busy stores, restaurants, etc. Turn wheels sharply left or right and set the emergency brake. This makes it harder for a thief to tow your vehicle. Don't advertise your home address by leaving your name and address visible in the car. It's an invitation to a home burglary. Replace standard lock buttons with tapered ones. The replacements are very inexpensive and are much harder to pry up. Lock up before you go for help if your car breaks down. Even if you can't start it, a thief may be able to.

Be more involved in communicating with your neighbors and your community leaders and report any unusual activity. This will help reduce the amount of crime taking place in your neighborhood. If you believe illegal activity is occurring in your area (gang activity, narcotics activity.) please give me a call at (213) 422-1060 all information is confidential. For non-emergency police assistance call 1-877-ASK LAPD (1-877-275-5273). Let us try to keep our community clean by calling 311 for trash and bulky items.

Southern Boyle Heights Area (4A97)
Senior Lead Officer Joel Perez
Phone (213) 793-0754

Current Crime Trends

For the period covering October 21, through November 17, 2012, there were 10 violent and 52

property crimes reported. These account for an average of 2.5 violent and 13 property crimes per week during this four week reporting period.

Honda Accords & Civics, are still the number one choice for car thieves in our area. Chevrolet Tahoes are also stolen; mostly for the 3rd row seat. Although there have been significant GTA arrests, car thefts continue to increase in the area.

Please remember to lock and secure your vehicle. Also report all suspicious activity to the police.



Hollenbeck Area Volunteers

Become a Los Angeles Police Department, Hollenbeck Area Volunteer. Since its inception in 1979, Volunteer Programs have become an important part of the Los Angeles Police Department. This Volunteer Program consists of community citizens taking an active role in community policing. Through the years, Volunteers have proven community assistance is needed to solve its growing problem of crimes. To start processing, it is required that you complete a Hollenbeck Area Volunteer application. Once the Volunteer Office receives your application, it will be processed and you will be scheduled for an interview.

General Qualifications

Age Requirements:

You must be at least 18 years of age by day one of your first assignment. There is no maximum age limit for the Los Angeles Police Department Hollenbeck Area Volunteer Program.

Health:

You must be in good Health and free from conditions that would restrict your ability to perform all aspects of the Volunteer classifications.

Background:

You cannot have any serious police record or history of criminal or improper conduct, poor employment record, military or driving record which would affect suitability for volunteer work.

Training:

Hollenbeck Area Volunteers will receive training in;

Basic Law;

Volunteering for a law enforcement agency;

Police crime report writing;

Communicating with the public;

Assisting the Department in the event of civil unrest;

Job Opportunities

After successful completion of the Volunteer training, the citizen volunteer’s job is to assist officers at the police station's front desk, and working alongside officers at community events.

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Area Captain's Office	(323) 342-4110 FAX (323) 224-0123
Patrol Captain's Office	(323) 342-4110
Front Desk	(323) 342-4100
Records Unit	(323) 342-4150 FAX (323) 342-4141
Community Relations Unit	(323) 323-4140
Detective Desk	(323) 342-8900

Community –Police Advisory Board

The Community Police Advisory Boards (C-PAB) is a group of civilian volunteers from the residential and business community of an Area. The role of the

C-PAB is to advise the Area Commanding Officer regarding crime and quality of life issues that affect the community. Additionally, C-PAB members disseminate information received from the Department back to the community.

Each of the 21 geographic Areas (community police stations) throughout Los Angeles has its own C-PAB. Each C-PAB has two co-chairs, one is the Area Commanding Officer while the second is a civilian member voted on by the membership. (C-PAB monthly meetings are open to the public) For more information about becoming a member, contact the Senior Lead Officer assigned to your concerned area or Officer Anthony Macklin, Hollenbeck C-PAB Coordinator, at (323) 342-4144.

**HOLLENBECK COMMUNITY
POLICE ADVISORY BOARD
MONTHLY MEETING**

The next meeting will be no meeting for the month of December.