

Basic Car 19A1 Sylmar (West of Glenoaks Blvd.)
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Happy New Year and Welcome to the Newsletter for Basic Car 19A1 for **January 2015**. Let's make a New Year's resolution to do our best to make Sylmar as safe as possible. We will continue to work on the "quality of life" issues of all crime, including graffiti, illegal dumping, illegal vendors and traffic enforcement. You have been a great partner in tackling these problems and I appreciate your continued support.

Open communication between residents and the LAPD is vital for our continued success. The most successful way to make this possible is through Community policing. Neighbors helping Neighbors, helping the LAPD to deter crime!

Be Active not re-active. Don't wait for crime to come into your neighborhood to get involved. The best crime fighting tool is a good neighbor. There can't be an officer in every neighborhood but a neighborhood of active and aware residents is possible.

'**Neighborhood Watch**' is the most effective crime prevention programs in the country, bringing residents and law enforcement together, making your neighborhood safer. A Neighborhood Watch group in your area is beneficial to you and your neighborhood. Now is a good time to start one.

Give me a call and I will help you:

- Arrange a meeting date
- Create a flyer to pass around your neighborhood
- Choose a location. If you know your neighbors well you can have it at your residence. If not there are public options available

At meetings I will cover crime trends, issues and police activity specific to your area.

You will get to know your neighbors and learn how to protect yourself and your property.

Including:

- what to watch for and ways to deter crime
- how to identify & report a crime
- ways to make your residence less attractive to burglars

In addition to Neighborhood Watch we have the **Sylmar Block Captains** who keep up on current crime trends and quality of life issues in Sylmar and pass the information to their friends and neighbors. Everyone is welcome. Their meetings are the third Tuesday of the month, at LAPD Mission Area station Community Room 11121 Sepulveda Blvd at San Fernando Mission Rd.

A Neighborhood Watch of One- How you can make a difference. Do not depend on your neighbors to call the police. Responsibility starts with YOU! Keep an eye out for suspicious people and vehicles in your neighborhood. If you see someone knocking on doors on your block or other dangerous, suspicious or criminal activity immediately call LAPD non-emergency dispatch: (877) 275-5273 (1-877-ASK-LAPD).

Call 911 for emergencies, immediate threat or if you believe a crime is in progress.

ID Theft: Criminals scavenge through our trash and recycling bins on trash day. Please shred all papers thrown in the trash or recycling bin that contain personal information. If you see

strangers going through yours or your neighbor's trash please call (877) 275-5273 and request Patrol car in your area.

To avoid becoming a victim always lock your vehicle and ensure all items of value are locked out of sight in the trunk or glove box. Do not leave personal items unattended in grocery stores, gas stations, gyms, and restaurants.

Meetings and links:

The **Sylmar Block Captains Neighborhood Watch** the third Tuesday of the month, at LAPD Mission Area station Community Room 11121 Sepulveda Blvd at San Fernando Mission Rd.

Neighborhood Watch groups are an important part of community policing. You get to know you neighbors and important crime data for your community. Give me a call for a meeting near you.

Mission Community Police Advisory Board (CPAB) The purpose of the Board is to improve relations with the LAPD and discuss Community issues. Committees include Public Nuisance, Community Outreach, Telephone Tree and Events. CPAB meets the 3rd Wednesday of the month, 6:15 PM, Mission Community Police Station Community Room, 11121 Sepulveda Blvd.,

Got Graffiti- Call Sylmar Graffiti Busters (818) 362-8702

Sylmar Library: (818) 367-6102, www.twitter.com/SylmarLibrary, www.facebook.com/SylmarLibrary

Sylmar Neighborhood Council: www.sylmarneighborhoodcouncil.org

The City of LA Official Web Site: www.cityofla.org.

LA City Council: www.lacity.org/council.htm

Basic Car 19A7 Sylmar (East of Glenoaks Blvd.)
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Welcome to the Newsletter for Basic Car 19A7 for January 2016.

Crime Trends

Grand Theft Auto continues to be our primary concern at this time. If anyone has any information regarding the GTA suspects, please contact me as soon as possible. Most of the incidents involving Grand Theft Auto are taking place between 8:00 p.m. – 6:00 AM when most people are sleeping. Please be mindful of this and properly secure your vehicles and leave porch lights on to illuminate the area.

From 11/15/15 to 12/12/15, the crime trends were mostly property crimes. The area between Dronefield Ave and the 210 Freeway was most affected. Thefts and burglaries from motor vehicles, and vehicle thefts were most prevalent. If you have any information that could help us find these criminals, please contact the Detective front desk at 818-838-9810.

Burglary/Theft from Motor Vehicle (BTFV). This crime in most cases is preventable, yet continues to be a serious problem. Don't leave your purse, cell phone or packages in your car, on the back seat or on the floor where potential thieves can see them. Do not even leave papers and documents visible in your vehicles, as many thieves seek your financial documents for identify theft.

Inspect your credit report. Credit reports contain information about you, including what accounts you have and your bill paying history. The law requires the major nationwide consumer reporting companies- Equifax, Experian, and TransUnion, to give you a free copy of your credit report each year if you ask for it. Experts tell me to use a different company every 4 months, utilizing the free service three times a year: www.annualcreditreport.com or call 1-877-322-8228

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At Home

- Make an inspection of your residence's exterior in the daytime and at night and note areas where someone could hide unseen. Trim bushes and trees to remove hiding places and add exterior lighting.
- Check to make sure the contents of your residence are not visible from outside.
- Lock your doors and windows and set your alarm every time you leave.

- Put an interior light on a timer so your residence is not dark when you are out.
- Put a lock on your gate.
- Remember to bring in your trash cans on trash days. Trash cans left outside tell burglars no one is home.

Report suspicious vehicles and/or persons in your neighborhood by calling the LAPD non-emergency number at 1 877-ASK-LAPD (1 877-275-5273). Please share this information with family and friends.

Basic Car Area 19A43 (Mission Hills Area)

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Hello everyone, I hope you are all doing well and that you all had a safe and wonderful Holiday and a very happy 2016!

I have been receiving numerous phone calls regarding the increase of homeless encampments in the Mission Hills Area. We have been trying to work on these homeless encampments that have been increasing all throughout Mission Hills as well as the city of Los Angeles. It can be frustrating when our hands are tied due to ordinances and the "homeless rights". Unfortunately, the process to have the Department of Street Services as well as other City resources can take a month or more in order to get these encampments cleaned up and moved out. A majority of the time, the homeless do not want help with resource services offered to them such as housing and temporary shelter, that it makes the process take even longer. We are currently working on having the homeless encampment located on Chatsworth St west of Sepulveda under the 405 Fwy to be cleaned-up.

The Mission Hills Neighborhood Watch meetings take place on 4th Tuesday of each month at Mission Community Police Station Community Room and begin promptly at 7:00 p.m. If you have any questions regarding joining or creating a neighborhood watch group in your area, please do not hesitate to contact me at (818) 838-9843. Our next meeting will be Tuesday, January 26, 2016. See you next year!

Crime Update:

At the moment, we are currently up (+11 %) in Part-1 crime from a year ago. The hottest crime in the Mission Hills Area continues to be BTFV (Burglary Theft from Vehicles). Remember to never leave anything valuable in your vehicle or in plain sight and remember to always lock your doors. Remember, personal responsibility is the best prevention to becoming a victim.

If you plan on shopping during the Holiday's remember to not leave your shopping bags and packages in plain sight in your vehicle, and avoid becoming a victim. Also do not place your packages in the trunk of your vehicle and then leave and go back into the store or Mall as thieves watch for this type of activity.

Mission Hills Community Meetings:

19A43 Monthly Basic Car Meeting (Neighborhood Watch)

4th Tuesday of every month at 7:00 p.m.

Mission Area Community Police Station Community Room

Mission Hills Neighborhood Council – MHNC@verizon.net

1st Monday of every month at 6:45 p.m. at Mission Area Police Station

Basic Car 19A61 North Hills
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Crime Trends/Statistics

Happy New Year! I hope everyone had a wonderful Holiday! Let's welcome 2016 with great participation in Neighborhood Watch. We need everyone to be good neighbors. The year ended with an increase in property crime and we need to work together to keep your families safe! Please be aware of your neighborhoods. Be good neighbors and watch out for each other. Please report suspicious activity and suspicious people in your neighborhoods! Please call 877 ASK LAPD on the suspicious activity. If you see something, say something!

Please continue to call on the Prostitution activity! The motels are being checked daily and our Vice Officers are out there making great arrests!

The freeway and street homeless encampments have been a concern for the community. We need to report the encampments to your respective council districts. If you live south of Rayen St, you contact CD6 Nury Martinez Office at (818) 771-0236. If you live north of Rayen St, you contact CD7 Felipe Fuentes Office at (818) 756-8409.

We are trying to improve North Hills Park. Please contact your local Council Office 6 at 818 771-0236 and let them know that park safety is a priority. We are trying to get the city to re-open youth programs at the park again! I need your voice!

Graffiti is a big problem in North Hills. If you see graffiti, please report it! The faster we can remove the graffiti, the more it will discourage other graffiti from going up. Please call Graffiti Busters at 311.

Trash is a problem. Please call 311 and report your bulky items, such as couches and furniture, for free pick-up. It keeps the neighborhood clean and a clean neighborhood is a safer neighborhood! Especially Apartment Managers! Please be good neighborhood leaders and lead by example. Keep your buildings and streets clean for your residents and especially the children.

Crime Update

Property crime has increased in the area along Columbus Ave, from Roscoe Blvd to Parthenia St. There has been Grand Theft Auto, Burglaries, Theft and Street Robberies. Mondays have been the busiest day of the week. The time the crime is occurring is from 12am to 6am.

Crime Prevention Tip

There is no excuse for Domestic Violence! Please contact Mission Station for resources and advise if you are in an abusive relationship. We have a Domestic Violence class every Wednesday at 9 AM at the Methodist Church located at 15435 Rayen St. Please stop by and learn about the resources available to help you get out of an abusive and very dangerous relationship.

Attend Neighborhood Watch! It makes a difference when we all work together to prevent crime. Please make sure that your vehicles are locked when parked on the street. We still have residents leaving valuables inside their parked vehicles. Individuals are looking into parked cars and stealing your property. Don't make it easy or attractive for them to break into your cars!

Call 311 for pick-up of trash, furniture and debris on YOUR streets! Let's have a safe and clean Holiday season.

Report suspicious activity and call 1(877)-ASK-LAPD.

Remember there is no excuse for domestic violence. Talk to a friend, pastor, or your local support group for relationship problems prior to any violence. You can always call a domestic violence hotline for referrals and assistance 24 hours a day at 1-818-887-6589.

Upcoming Meetings

The next Neighborhood Watch Meeting is scheduled for January 27, 2016 at 6:30 pm at the Denny's Restaurant located at 15540 Roscoe Bl. There is also a Spanish Neighborhood Watch meeting scheduled for January 13, 2016 at 6pm at the Methodist Church located at 15435 Rayen St. See you there!

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Crime Trends/ Statistics:

Business Burglaries have increased in the area along the Van Nuys Bl. Many of the Burglaries were reported during the Holiday week and evening hours. I have recently received reports of Vandalism (Graffiti) along Woodman Ave on many of the Businesses. I personally report any Graffiti I observe to our city service (Graffiti Busters) which is usually removed the following day.

I am continuing to receive reports of BFMV's where the property taken out of the cars have been lap tops computers, tablets and other expensive electronic devices. This is just another reminder to protect your personal information and your property. Please secure your vehicles. DON'T BE A VICTIM OF THIS TYPE OF CRIME.

Crime Updates:

On November 12th, 2015 a major homeless encampment clean-up was conducted with the help of Caltrans. The location was Sharp Av & Wingo St and along the 5fwy at Osborne St. The focus was on the pedestrian walkway. We are working with Councilwoman Nury Martinez to have a permanent gate installed to prevent encampments along the pedestrian walkway.

Crime Prevention Tips:

Remember to lock your doors and windows, don't leave valuables in plain view, be aware of your surroundings, and report suspicious behavior. To report any suspicious activity call LAPD non-emergency number (877) ASK-LAPD or call 911.

Neighborhood Watch Meetings for Basic Car 19A79:

Arleta Looky Loos Neighborhood Watch
13821 Osborne Street, Arleta
1st Tuesday of each month 6:30pm

Branford Park Neighborhood Watch
13306 Branford Street, Arleta
2nd Tuesday of Odd # months 6:30pm

Gain Street Neighborhood Watch
14219 Gain Street, Arleta
4th Thursday of Odd # months 6:30pm

Neighbors in Action Neighborhood Watch
9603 Gullo Avenue, Arleta
3rd Thursday of each month 7:00pm

Arleta Neighborhood Council
9757 Beachy Ave, Arleta
3rd Tuesday of each month 6:30pm

If you have any questions or you want to become more involved within your community please contacts me at (818) 838-9844.

Basic Car Area 19A85
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As 2015 comes to an end, I would like to thank you for being involved in your community. The LAPD does such a great job reducing crime, but it is with your help that we are able to do so. I know I can count on you to help make Panorama City a safer place to live and work in by being aware of your surroundings. Please continue to be aware of what is happening and who is on your block. This will be my last Newsletter, as I have been promoted to Detective. I have enjoyed working with all you and I know that the friendships we have developed will last for many years to come.

Crime Trends/Statistics

As of 12/12/15, our Basic Car is -12.8 % down in Part 1 crime. We have had 599 Part 1 crimes, year to date. In 2014, at this time, we had 687 Part 1 crimes. I am asking the community to continue to help us with locking up their valuables. One car break-in is one too many. Remember "Lock it Hide it Keep it!" We have seen a rise in the theft of personal documents from inside vehicles, so please don't leave any paperwork with your personal information inside your cars.

Crime Update

During the period of 11/15/15-12/12/15, there were (5) robberies, (10) Aggravated Assaults, (6) car break-in's/thefts (BTFV's), and (3) Grand Theft Autos, particularly Hondas. Most of our crime is occurring on Mondays, and between the hours of Noon-6 PM. There were (11) Thefts reported, which include the Shoplifts at our local stores. Thefts are something that the community can help us prevent; one easy way is by simply not leaving your property unattended, or not leaving any valuables out in plain sight when you park your vehicle.

We continue to do foot beats at our shopping centers. This is another way that we are trying to reduce the number of thefts and stolen vehicles in this area. I began a Panorama City Business Watch

and held our first meeting, in which we discussed Retail Theft and how the businesses can prevent and deter it. Please contact me for the next meeting date.

Crime Prevention Tips

Thieves often access apartment building parking lots through inoperable gates. Please ensure that all the gates in your complex are working. Magnetic locks are very difficult to break and will last much longer. Cameras are a great investment and have often assisted us in making arrests.

We see a lot of thefts near the Panorama Mall and Wal-Mart. Please keep an eye on your personal property so that it does not get stolen; do not turn your backs to it. I strongly recommend that you get involved in your local Neighborhood Watch. Please see the below list of meetings.

Another way to stay informed is by signing up for the Nixle service, Nextdoor, and Twitter. They are free and they help you receive critical information. Sign up at www.nixle.com and look for "LAPD Mission."

Upcoming Community/Neighborhood Watch Meetings for Basic Car 19A85

Below is a list of Community Meetings, please contact me with any questions.

Safer Cities Area Enhancement Meeting

(Covers area between 405 Fwy/Roscoe/Van Nuys/Nordhoff St)

Held on a Quarterly basis-next meeting is TBA

Location: Plaza del Valle Community Room, 8700 Van Nuys Blvd Building G

*The Community Room is located east of the Wells Fargo Bank

Panorama City-Tyrone Ave Neighborhood Watch Meeting

4th Wednesday of every month, 7:00 PM

8600 Block of Tyrone Ave, exact location TBA

Parthenia Neighborhood Watch

14811 Parthenia St Neighborhood Watch meeting (In Courtyard)

2nd Tuesday of the month, 6 PM

Panorama City Business Watch

Plaza del Valle Community Room (8610 Van Nuys)

Every other month, next meeting January 20th at 10 AM

Panorama City Neighborhood Council

4th Thursday of every month – 6:30 PM

Mission Community Hospital, 14860 Roscoe Boulevard

Community Police Advisory Board (CPAB)
3rd Wednesday of every month - 6:15 PM- Social/6:30 PM- meeting
Mission Community Police Station, Community Room

***Please contact the Mission Community Relations Office at 818-838-9860 to verify the meeting dates and times.

Basic Car Area 19A75
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Crime Trends/ Statistics:

BFMV and GTA's have continued to increase in the area along the Van Nuys corridor and the neighborhoods to the east corridor. I have recently received reports of Burglaries where the victims have left their doors unlocked to their homes. I am also seeing an increase in graffiti. If you see graffiti please use the MY311 App or dial 311 to request an immediate cleanup of the graffiti.

Crime Updates:

On several occasions I have conducted foot beats in some apartment buildings along the Van Nuys Corridor. I have noticed in some of these buildings the security door was propped open and the doors were broken. Please, remind your neighbors that these security doors should remain locked and secured. Please don't be a victim and remember to secure your front door to your residence.

Crime Prevention Tips:

Remember to lock your doors and windows, don't leave valuables in plain view, be aware of your surroundings, and report suspicious behavior. Just a reminder, starting December 27, 2015 residence can take their Christmas trees to Bradford Park for disposal. Bradford Park is located at 13310 Bradford Street. To report any suspicious activity call LAPD non-emergency number (877) ASK-LAPD or call 911.

Neighborhood Watch Meetings for Basic Car 19A75:

8400 Murietta Ave
January 12, 2016 at 7:00 pm
Front yard

14500 Tupper Street
January 19, 2016 at 6:00 pm
Near the pool

9205 Van Nuys Blvd
January 19, 2016 at 7:00 pm
Courtyard of the complex

9618 Van Nuys Blvd
January 26, 2016 at 6:00 pm
Community room inside the complex

8600 Hazeltine Ave at the Panorama Recreational Center.
January 26, 2016 at 7:00 pm
Front lawn

If you have any questions or you want to become more involved within your community please
contacts me at (818) 838-9842.

Basic Car 19A93 Panorama City (South of Roscoe Blvd)
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Welcome to the Newsletter for Basic Car 19A93 for December 2015.

I wish everyone Happy Holidays and a Happy New Year. Be safe and always be aware of your surroundings. IF YOU SEE SOMETHING, SAY SOMETHING...

Crime Trends

As we come to an end of the year, thefts, thefts from motor vehicles and Grand Theft Autos continue to be a problem. Please report any suspicious activity. The Mission Detectives are working hard to solve these crimes. If you have any information that could help us find these criminals, please contact the Detective front desk at 818-838-9810.

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- Remember to bring in your trash cans on trash days. Trash cans left outside tell burglars no one is home.
- Secure your vehicles and do not leave anything in plain sight including documents. LOCK IT, HIDE IT, KEEP IT.

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The LAPD continues to do our best to protect & serve the citizens of Los Angeles but we cannot be everywhere at once. Having a Neighborhood Watch could prevent crime from occurring in your area. Be a good neighbor. Call me for details.