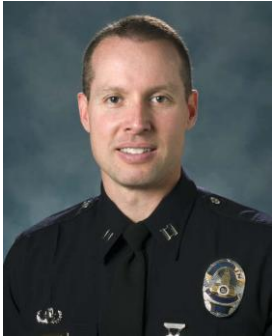


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North Hollywood Captain's Corner:



As autumn is now in full swing Burglary from Motor Vehicles (BFMV's) remains our biggest struggle in North Hollywood. As the available daylight is now reduced, and criminals become emboldened in darkness, it is even more critical that everyone is careful to remove all valuables from

their vehicles. Communication is also an extremely important tool to increase our successes in our battle against BFMVs. As always, Neighborhood Watches, Business Watches, and Apartment Watches are

critical to our success in battling BFMVs and other property crimes. The eyes and ears of the public enable us to identify, locate, and arrest suspects involved in these crimes. In addition, our friends, neighbors and business partners need to be regularly reminded not to leave valuables, particularly electronics, in plain view in their parked cars. Our hope is that with these efforts we can win this battle and significantly reduce the number of BFMVs in North Hollywood.

If you'd like to start a Neighborhood, Apartment, or Business Watch program in your neighborhood, please contact the Senior Lead Office, at (818) 755-7679. All of these various Watch programs are helpful in combating this problem, and reminding these groups of this simple safety measure is critical. We are hopeful that with these efforts, and ongoing involvement by community members, we will be successful in our struggle against these property crimes.

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Hats Off To Fight Crime

North Hollywood unveiled a new pilot program called, "Hats Off to Fight Crime." The purpose of the program is to reduce robbery and violence in retail establishments.

Many commercial robberies in the City of Los Angeles occur with suspects concealing their faces with hats, hoodies, or helmets. The 8" by 10" full-color sticker is available to any North Hollywood-based business. It is placed near the entrances of the business as a reminder to customers to remove their head apparel before entering.

Refusing to remove head apparel does not constitute a crime in of itself, but business owners do have the right to refuse service to persons so dressed. California law makes the obstruction or intimidation of businesses or its employees a misdemeanor (See §602.1 California Penal Code). Therefore, business owners have discretion in who they choose to serve based on apparel and the threat of criminal activity.

Businesses interested in the *Hats Off* program can contact the LAPD, North Hollywood Station, Robbery Detectives Mahoney or Hammer at (818) 623-4061

Nixle

Nixle is a valuable tool in updating the public as to police activity in their neighborhoods, as well as a tool to combat crime. Nixle utilizes text messaging as its primary method in communicating with the public, and has already shown itself to be extremely effective in distributing information, in real time, to impacted communities. We strongly encourage anyone living or working in North Hollywood to sign up for Nixle. Any interested party can sign up at LAPDonline.org.

Crime Briefing

Part I Crimes, which are a combination of all violent and property crimes, are down 10 percent year to date.

Violent crimes are down 10 percent for 2011. This includes a 22 percent reduction in robberies. Aggravated assaults did rise seven percent.

Property crimes are down 10 percent, which includes a 20 percent reduction in Burglary Theft from Motor Vehicles and a nine percent reduction in grand theft auto.

Crime Prevention Tips

This is an ideal time to remind everyone about the potential safety issues associated with this time of year, which largely involve the shortened hours of daylight. Among the more serious potential hazards are traffic accidents while commuting to or from work. For many of us, either our morning or evening commute, sometimes both, take place in twilight or darkness. This limits visibility, lowers our reaction time, and may increase our accident rate. Awareness is key; driving with your lights on, even during twilight, will increase your visibility to others, and may encourage others to emulate your behavior. Our goal here at North Hollywood Police Station, one that is of course shared by everyone in our community, is to make this season as safe as possible.

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Current Crime Trends

During this period there was an increase in petty thefts on Sherman Way between Lankershim Boulevard and Tujunga Avenue. There was a decrease in robberies and burglaries. Grand theft auto and car break-in also continue to decrease.

Last month there was a string of chain snatch robberies occurring around elementary and middle schools. The suspect has been hitting different locations around the San Fernando Valley and is still outstanding. The suspect is described as a male White or Armenian, 6 feet, 180 pounds, 20 to 30 years old. Please be cognizant when picking up your kids and never walk with your head down.

Community Events

Neighborhood Watch Meeting

Church of San Pablo
Valerio Street/Tujunga Avenue
Monday, November 14, 2011
7:00 pm

Neighborhood Watch Meeting

Pentecostal Church
Dehougne Street/Radford Avenue
Wednesday, November 16, 2011
7:00 pm

North Hollywood Northeast Neighborhood Council Meeting

Arminta Elementary Street Elementary
11530 Strathern Street
Thursday, November 17, 2011, 7:00 pm

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Current Crime Trends

Part I crime numbers continue to remain low in number, with the highest increase in theft occurrences. Most of these theft crimes are “petty theft” incidents from major retail stores. The northern portion of A21 continues to be a focal point for the community to be vigilant of lone males (carrying backpacks) riding bicycles through the residential areas. Additionally, gang graffiti activity spiked along the Vanowen Apartments, Fulton Avenue corridor (between Vanowen Street and Sherman Way), which resulted in high-visibility patrol by the North Hollywood Area gang unit.

Community Events

15A21 Area Meeting

North Hollywood Area Police Station
Community Room
11640 Burbank Boulevard
Saturday, November 12, 2011
1:00 p.m.

North Hollywood West Neighborhood Council

Saticoy Elementary School
7850 Ethel Avenue
Wednesday, November 23, 2011
6:30 pm

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Current Crime Trends

Based on the current crime statistics, my area had a slight decrease in Part 1 crimes. Please continue to

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remember to lock and secure your home and your vehicles.

Community Events

Lankershim Business Watch Meeting

6620 Lankershim Boulevard
Wednesday, November 9, 2011
1:00 pm

Cleon Neighborhood Watch

6633 Cleon Avenue
Wednesday, November 16, 2011
1:00 pm

Basic Car 15A33

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Current Crime Trends

Based on the current crime trends my Part I crimes have increased slightly. Laurel Canyon Boulevard experienced the highest increase due to theft occurrences. Additionally, daytime burglaries are higher than evening crimes. Please continue to Lock It, Hide It, and Keep It!

Community Events

Basic Car 15A33 Neighborhood Watch

North Hollywood Community Room
11640 Burbank Boulevard
Tuesday November 15, 2011
6:00 pm

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Current Crime Trends

A big increase in property crime has been reported in my Basic Car Area, specifically between Burbank Boulevard and Magnolia Boulevard (between Lankershim Boulevard and Vineland Avenue).

Numerous Burglary from Motor Vehicles (BFMV) incidents occurred from the street and secured parking structures. Clusters of residential burglaries were also reported, including a large number from multi-family apartments. Some suspects have been observed and one pattern included all suspects in possession of backpacks.

Any suspicious activity should be reported to the police. As always, video and photos are encouraged to be sent to my e-mail address at 32740@lapd.lacity.org

Community Events

Mid Town North Hollywood Neighborhood Counsel

North Hollywood Park – Senior Center
Chandler Boulevard and Tujunga Avenue
Wednesday, November 9, 2011
6:30 pm

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Current Crime Trends

Based on the current crime trends, overall crime is down in our area. The only crime that is still a problem though is BFMVs. The majority of these crimes are occurring on the Riverside Drive corridor between the 170 Freeway off ramp to Laurel Canyon Boulevard. The items still being taken are electronics (e.g. iPods, stereos, GPS).

If you have any information that will help us apprehend the suspects involved in these crime please contact me or the North Hollywood Auto Detectives at (818) 623-4045.

Community Events

Valley Village Neighborhood Council

Colfax Elementary School
11724 Addison Street, Valley Village
Wednesday, November 16, 2011
6:30 pm

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Current Crime Trends

Year-to-date we have had a pretty good reduction of overall crime. We continue to see a good reduction of car break-ins for the year; however, they have started to increase over the last few weeks, particularly in the area just south of Magnolia Boulevard and adjacent to Lankershim Boulevard. Residential burglaries have been down throughout my entire Basic Car Area, and bicycle thefts continue to be a problem around Lankershim Boulevard, Riverside Drive, MTA Universal Red Line and Magnolia Boulevard. Don't forget to lock your bikes and don't leave them

unattended. We've even had several stolen from front yards and open garages.

Community Events

Greater Toluca Lake Neighborhood Council Meeting

Toluca Elementary
4840 Cahuenga Boulevard
Tuesday, November 15, 2011, 7:00 pm

Toluca Lake Turkey Trot 5K Run/Walk

10116 Riverside Drive
Council District 4
Sunday, November 20, 2011

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Current Crime Trends

The good news is...crime in Studio City has been very low recently; however, I am seeing more businesses along Ventura Boulevard that are broken into in the middle of the night. Another issue that seems to be getting worse is the number of homeless/transient individuals in Studio City. It's a difficult issue and one that is becoming a bigger and bigger problem in Studio City.

Community Events

Studio City Resident Association Meeting

Beverly Garland Hotel
4222 Vineland Avenue
Tuesday, November 8, 2011
7:30 pm