

North Hollywood Captain's Corner:



As the children of our community start to get ready for the new school year, I hope everyone has enjoyed a safe and happy summer. As school approaches, I ask all parents to practice good driver safety techniques. Please drop your children off in front of the schools in the properly marked

areas and follow the direction of the crossing guards. Please do not drop your children off where they would have to cross the street. We don't want to see any children darting through traffic. If they do need

to cross the street, please encourage your children to use marked crosswalks. We want every child to have an enjoyable school experience. As summer ends, we continue to see an increase in Burglary from Motor Vehicles (BFMVs). It remains one of our biggest crime problems in North Hollywood. The Los Angeles Police Department encourages you to ***"Lock It, Hide It, Keep It."*** Also, please come by the Studio City Farmers Market on Sundays, stop at our booth and introduce yourself to our officers. If you have any questions or would like to get more involved in your community, please call Sergeant Dave Cueto, Officer in Charge, North Hollywood Community Relations Office, at (818) 623-4001.

Crime Briefing

Part I Crimes, which are a combination of all violent and property crimes, are down 8 percent year to date.

Violent crimes are down 16 percent for 2012. This includes a 27 percent reduction in robberies and 5 percent reduction in aggravated assaults.

Property crimes are down 7 percent, which includes a 19 percent reduction in burglaries. Burglary Theft from Motor Vehicles are even compared to last year.

Crime Prevention Tips

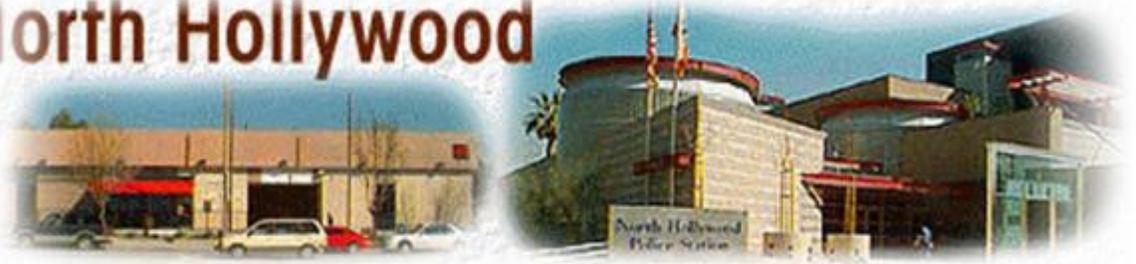
Continuing with the theme of back to school safety, below are some tips for your children.

- Discuss/reinforce not speaking to strangers (for smaller children define "strangers.")
- If possible have neighborhood children walk to school together in groups.
- Discuss respect for others and reporting bullying.

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- Make sure your children wear safety equipment when riding skateboards, bicycles and scooters.
- Have children learn/know a parent or guardian's emergency phone number.
- Discuss how to say "No to drugs" and peer pressure.

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Neighborhood Watch Meeting

Pentecostal Church
Dehougne Street/Radford Avenue
Wednesday, August 15, 2012
7:00 p.m.

North Hollywood Northeast Neighborhood Council Meeting

Los Angeles City Fire Station #89
7063 Laurel Canyon Boulevard
Thursday, August 16, 2012
7:00 p.m.

Current Crime Trends

During this period, there was an increase in assaults, robberies, residential burglaries and Burglary Theft from Vehicle crime categories. There was a decrease in Grand Theft Auto incidents.

Additionally, there was another "Lotto Scam" incident in A3's Area. Female suspects approached an elderly female victim and advised her they had a winning lottery ticket, but were unable to cash it because they didn't have the proper identification. The suspects promised the elderly victim the winning lottery ticket was worth a large amount of cash. The suspects took the victim to her bank, had her withdraw money from her bank account and traded their bogus lottery ticket for her money. Unfortunately, this is not the first time this type of "Lotto Scam" ruse has been used.

Community Events

Neighborhood Watch Meeting

Church of San Pablo
Valerio Street/Tujunga Avenue
Monday, August 13, 2012
7:00 p.m.

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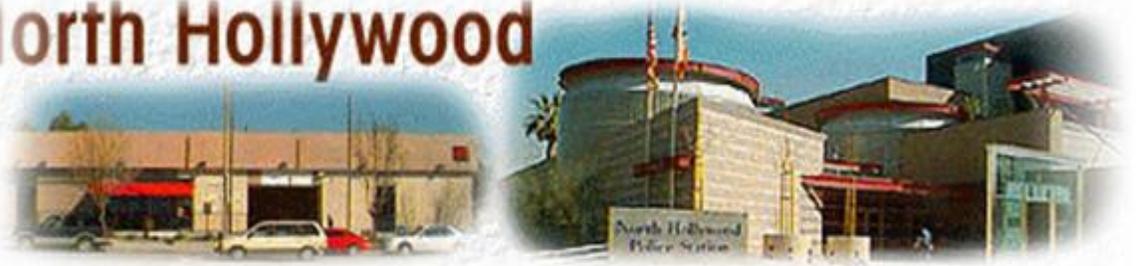
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Current Crime Trends

Overall, Part I crimes decreased during the last period; however, the two high categories remain Grand Theft Auto and Burglary Theft from Vehicles as highest occurrences, especially on Coldwater Canyon Boulevard (between Sherman Way and Vanowen Street). Gang-related crimes decreased during the last period, which can be directly attributed to North Hollywood Area and Van Nuys Area gang officers conducting proactive enforcement against three documented gangs.

North Hollywood Area and Los Angeles School Police personnel have monitored the District II summer school session hosted by Madison Middle School since Monday, July 9, 2012. Due to the heavy visible police presence, there have only been two documented Part I crimes (both vandalism) on campus.

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As the summer months are bringing up the temperatures, start preparing for higher heat levels for both heat-sensitive individuals (family, friends and neighbors) and your pets! Remember to keep pool safety in mind for children, and don't leave children and pets in vehicles for any length of time. Check on heat-sensitive neighbors throughout the excessive heat warning periods.

Community Events

North Hollywood West Neighborhood Council

General Board Meeting

Grace Community Church

13223 Roscoe Boulevard

Wednesday, August 22, 2012

6:30 p.m.

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Current Crime Trends

Part I crime in all categories remained consistent with last period; however, there was a slight increase in aggravated assaults and robberies. Target retail store had several of the theft occurrences due to shoplifting arrests. Of concern is the Burglary Theft from Motor Vehicle crime, which can be easily avoided by keeping all valuables out of sight from opportunists who break into cars. **“Lock It, Hide It, Keep It!!”**

Community Events

Cleon Neighborhood Watch

6633 Cleon Avenue

Wednesday, August 22, 2012

1:00 p.m.

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Current Crime Trends

Based on the current crime trends, overall Part I crime decreased during this period. The majority of the crimes are occurring on the major streets, i.e., Victory Boulevard and Laurel Canyon Boulevard. Sears and Macys retail stores continue to account for the theft crimes in the Area.

Summer Night Lights program began on Saturday, July 7, 2012, at Valley Plaza Park, and ends Saturday, September 1, 2012. The program is designed to keep children and teens off the streets and in structured activities, which ultimately would decrease gang involvement. The program runs Wednesday through Saturday, from 7:00 p.m. to midnight.

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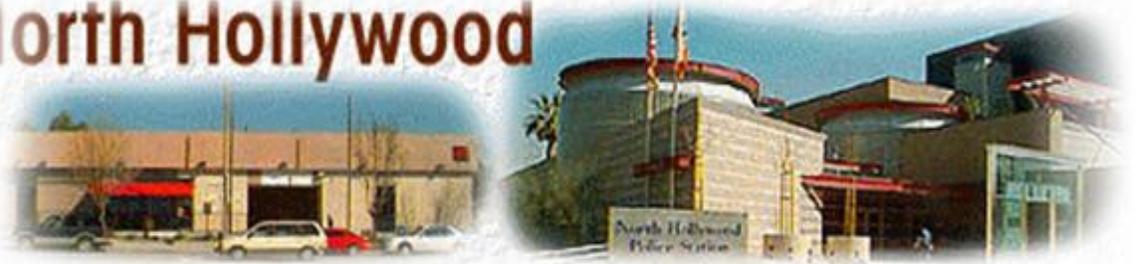
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Current Crime Trends

Overall, crime numbers decreased slightly and statistics revealed the concentration of Part I crime is in the area of Magnolia Boulevard and Lankershim Boulevard. The major boulevards continue to

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experience the largest number of crimes, i.e., Burglary Theft from Motor Vehicles. A few assaults were reported in the area of Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) locations on Lankershim Boulevard. Extra police presence has been assigned in the Area for the last few months and will continue extra patrol in the problematic areas as needed.

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Current Crime Trends

During this period, the number one crime was Burglary Theft from Motor Vehicles, especially along the major streets, i.e., Chandler Avenue and Lankershim Boulevard. There was a slight decrease in residential burglaries; overall, violent crime occurrences remain at low numbers.

Community Events

Valley Village Homeowner's Association Meeting
Colfax Elementary School
11724 Addison Street, Valley Village
Wednesday, August 22, 2012
6:30 p.m.

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Current Crime Trends

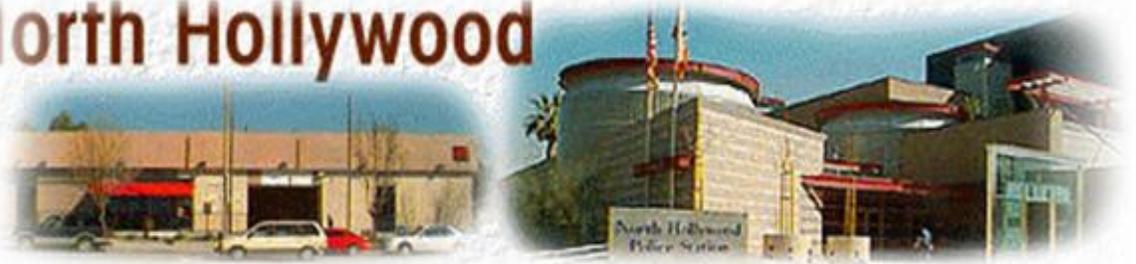
Property crime numbers remained consistent with the prior crime period, mainly due to Burglary Theft from Motor Vehicle spikes along Lankershim Boulevard, between Riverside Drive and Magnolia Boulevard. Vehicles which were not secured or had visible valuables inside them were the most common targets, especially in the late night through early morning hours.

Additionally, problematic business locations, especially alcohol-related, have been targeted for extra patrol and enforcement by specialized units.

Community Events

Greater Toluca Lake Neighborhood Council Meeting
Toluca Elementary
4840 Cahuenga Boulevard
Tuesday, August 14, 2012
7:00 p.m.

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Current Crime Trends

A review of the crime numbers for Studio City revealed a decrease in Part I crimes overall. The problematic crime issue continues to be Burglary Theft from Motor Vehicles. The Reporting District (RD) with the highest number of crime was RD 1586 (south of Moorpark Avenue to Ventura Boulevard and east of Tujunga Avenue to the 170 Freeway). There was also a crime spike on Bluffside Drive and Fryman Park areas.

Do not leave items such as GPS devices and iPods in your vehicle in plain view. Thieves are walking around looking into vehicles for items to steal. If there is nothing seen to take, the thieves will not break into your vehicle. Any suspicious vehicle can be reported to me, especially if there is a visible license plate. Keep an eye out on your neighbors and get to know them so you can alert them if there is something suspicious happening. An organized and active "Neighborhood Watch" can decrease the occurrence of crime. To set up a "Neighborhood Watch Group" or report suspicious activity, contact SLO85 Officer Lewis at 818-634-2593.

Community Events

Studio City Resident Association Meeting

Beverly Garland Hotel

4222 Vineland Avenue

Tuesday, September 11, 2012

7:00 p.m.