

Captain Justin Eisenberg's Captain's Corner:



Happy New Year to all. I hope everyone had a great holiday season and I am looking forward to another great year here in the North Hollywood Area. Hope the New Year brings everyone good health and safety to all our great communities. Patrol Captain Peter Whittingham and I again

will work diligently with all of our officers and detectives to provide the best quality service possible. We are committed to opening new lines of dialogue with new members of the community to continue to address quality of life issues and finding better ways in serving our public. Please feel free to call me, or Sergeant David Cueto, Officer-In-Charge, Community Relations Office, at, (818) 623-4001 for assistance.

At the beginning of last year we set out to reduce Part I crime by 5 percent. For the past ten years the City of Los Angeles has seen a decrease in crime. Comparing our statistics from 2011 to 2012, North Hollywood Division saw Rape down 20.5 percent and Robbery down 20.1 percent. We saw total violent crimes down 13 percent and 21.4 percent in the past two years. Our goals were reasonable, but we were faced with challenges. As the recession impacted our City, it also impacted the State. The Governor (due to Federal pressure) had to release approximately 35,000 non-violent offenders back into the communities. This was done to reduce prison overcrowding. With that being said, we also saw the effects of this locally. Even with crime programs in place, we saw an increase in Burglary From Motor Vehicles (BFMV) up 7.5 percent and Personal Theft crimes up 7.3 percent. Another important statistic is even though

Part I Crimes (most serious crimes) were up for the year .06 percent, we are pleased with the fact Grand Theft Auto (GTA) and Residential Burglary were down 8.8 percent and 7.3 percent. As we prepare our goals and game plans to fight crime, I'm reaching out to the community again to help us. Fighting crime is a team effort. It is not just a police problem, but a problem I hope everyone is willing to help combat. Let's remember to LOCK IT, HIDE IT, KEEP IT.

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 crime and helping residents in finding innovative ways of preventing crimes.

Crime Briefing

Part I Crimes, which are a combination of all violent and property crimes, are up 2.5 percent year to date.

Violent crimes are down 13 percent for the one year comparative percentage change. This includes a 20 percent reduction in robberies and 6 percent reduction in aggravated assaults.

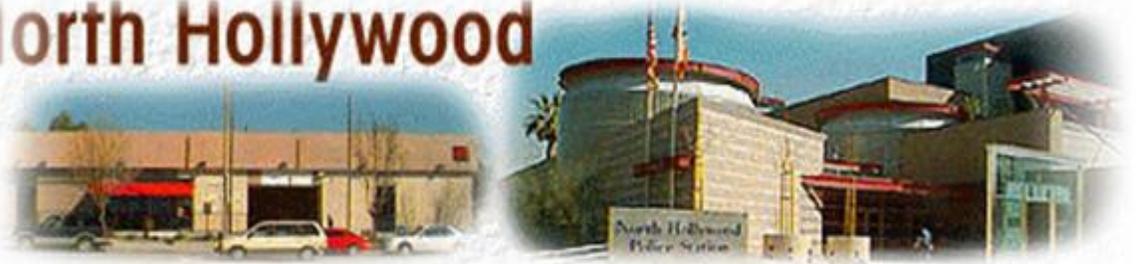
Property crimes are up 2.5 percent, which includes a 7 percent reduction in burglaries. We are currently up over 7 percent in Burglary Theft from Motor Vehicles.

Crime Prevention Tips

As we start the New Year, we ask for everyone's help to continue to reduce crime within the City of Los Angeles. Property crimes increased in the North Hollywood Area during most of 2012 and this is a trend that we would like to reverse in 2013.

Criminals look for crimes of opportunity and leaving items in plain view presents the opportunity for crime.

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Current Crime Trends

During this period, there was an overall decrease in all Part I crime categories. The overall 2012 crime statistics revealed slightly higher totals for Burglary Theft From Vehicle and Petty Thefts from the year before. Significantly, the 2012 year ended in a major decrease in Grand Theft Auto, Burglary, Robbery and Violent Crime incidents. The A3 Area goal for 2013 is to continue to keep violent crime down and to decrease the number of Burglary Theft From Vehicle and thefts.

Community Events

Neighborhood Watch Meeting

Church of San Pablo

Valerio Street/Tujunga Avenue

Monday, January 14, 2013

7:00 p.m.

Neighborhood Watch Meeting

Pentecostal Church

Dehougne Street/Radford Avenue

Wednesday, January 16, 2013

7:00 p.m.

North Hollywood Northeast Neighborhood Council Meeting

Los Angeles City Fire Station #89

7063 Laurel Canyon Boulevard

Thursday, January 17, 2013

7:00 p.m.

Current Crime Trends

A21 had a "successful" 2012 with an overall 6 percent reduction in crime numbers; however, there was an increase in Aggravated Assault and Grand Theft Auto crimes. Gang-related violent crime showed a slight reduction in incidents due to heightened proactive Gang Enforcement Detail. The Sherman Way and Coldwater Corridor remained consistent in 2012 as having the most concentration of property crimes; i.e, Burglary Theft From Vehicle and Grand Theft Auto.

2013 A21 goals include the initiation of a Business Watch Group and enforcement to reduce Grand Theft Auto crimes. Additionally, revitalizing Neighborhood Watch Groups and hopefully keeping the North Hollywood West Neighborhood Council certified would greatly assist with the reduction of crime occurrences, and general and public nuisance issues.

Community Events

15A21 Area Meeting

North Hollywood Area Police Station

Community Room, 11640 Burbank Boulevard

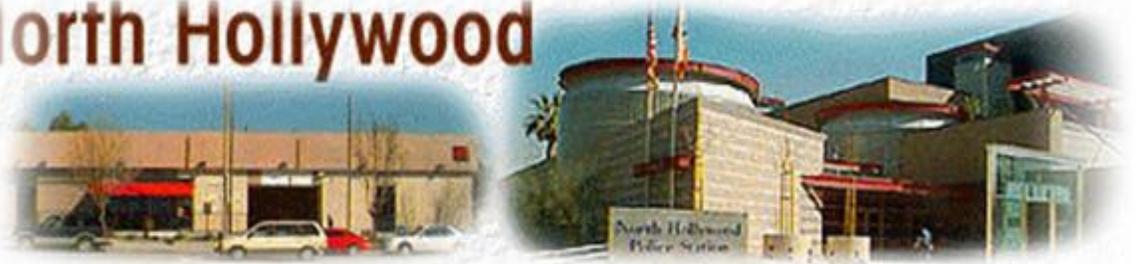
Saturday, January 12, 2013

1:00 p.m.

North Hollywood West Neighborhood Council General Board Meeting

** To Be Determined ** Please go to their website for any update(s) regarding future meeting(s).

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Current Crime Trends

A27 Area experienced an overall 3.6 percent of overall Part I crimes; Grand Theft Auto and Thefts were the two categories of crime which increased from the year before.

Community Events

Lankershim Business Watch Meeting

6620 Lankershim Boulevard
Wednesday, January 9, 2013
1:00 p.m.

Cleon Neighborhood Watch

6633 Cleon Avenue
Wednesday, January 16, 2013
1:00 p.m.

Current Crime Trends

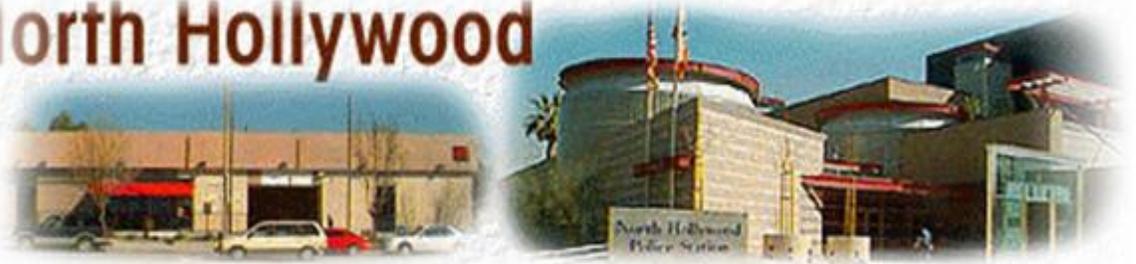
Overall, Part I crime remains consistent this period; Year-to-Date Area 33 is down 10 percent which is great news! The Area continues to battle Grand Theft Auto, Burglary Theft From Vehicle and thefts (mainly retail store shoplifts). Recently there was a multi-unit Burglary of an apartment complex at the 6000 Block of Whitsett Avenue. The apartment building had been tented for extermination for several days with the tenants relocated from their units. During the time of the extermination, the majority of the apartment units were broken into and personal property taken. Continue to report suspicious activity in your Area by calling "911" for emergency calls and 818-634-0809 for non-emergency related issues.

Community Events

Basic Car 15A33 Basic Car Meeting

North Hollywood Community Room
11640 Burbank Boulevard
Saturday, January 12, 2013
1:00 p.m.

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Current Crime Trends

My Area has seen significant increases in regard to theft. While violent crime remains low, property crimes continue to increase. The Red Line station and 24-Hour Fitness center have become problematic locations for high theft numbers. Additionally, the parking structures located within the Area have proven difficult to police as well.

2013 goals include initiating a Business Watch for the Area, continue to focus strategies and resources in the problematic highly densely populated centers, i.e., 24-Hour Fitness and Red Line station. Creative strategies include possible Section 8 – Assisted Living enforcement for criminal violators, and strict enforcement for Sober-Living residences/facilities.

Community Events

Mid Town North Hollywood Neighborhood Counsel

North Hollywood Park – Senior Center
Chandler Boulevard and Tujunga Avenue
Wednesday, January 16, 2013
6:30 p.m.

Current Crime Trends

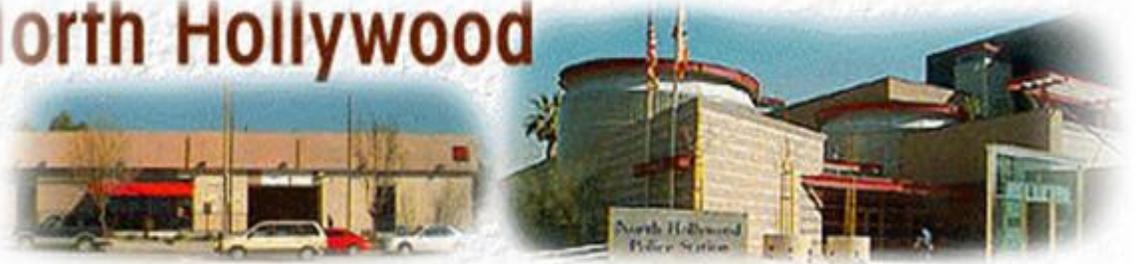
Overall Area 43 experienced a 9.5 percent increase in Part I crime for the 2012 Year; the rise in Burglary Theft From Vehicle and Aggravated Assaults contributed to the overall increase. 2013 Area focus will be towards the reduction and prevention of Burglary Theft From Vehicle, especially in apartment complex buildings and congested business areas.

Community Events

Valley Village Homeowner's Association Meeting

Colfax Elementary School
11724 Addison Street, Valley Village
Wednesday, January 16, 2013
6:30 p.m.

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Current Crime Trends

As we close out 2012, the NOHO Arts Area continues to be the focus of our crime reduction efforts.

Although we still continue to see a regular occurrence of personal thefts, bicycle thefts and car break-ins, we did have a significant reduction in overall crime, mostly due to the deployment of many additional department resources within this area. The crime issues continue to occur around Magnolia Boulevard, Lankershim Boulevard and the areas adjacent to same; deployment of resources will continue into 2013. Extra uniformed patrol (vehicle and foot-beat) and undercover units are being deployed to help reduce crime. Distribution of fliers and crime reduction brochures in this area will also assist in the efforts to educate residents and business owners of the crimes for prevention strategies. Lock your cars and bicycles, and don't keep your valuables unattended or in plain view. Continue to report suspicious activity and suspicious individuals. Taking a proactive stance towards crime prevention should help to reduce theft and burglary from vehicles in this area.

Community Events

Greater Toluca Lake Neighborhood Council Meeting

Toluca Elementary

4840 Cahuenga Boulevard

Tuesday, January 15, 2013

7:00 p.m.

Current Crime Trends

As for crime in Studio City the Area is looking very good; notably Fryman Park which is a problematic location where vehicles are frequently broken into has been very quiet. Unfortunately, there has been a spike in Burglary Theft From Vehicles along the Ventura Boulevard and Vineland Avenue area. Again, leaving visible valuables inside your cars prevents this type of crime. Additionally, realtors need to be extra cognizant and advise their clients to remove and/or hide their jewelry when having an Open House, as there have been several incidents of this type of theft occurring.

Although outside of the Studio City district, there was a burglary investigation in the 6000 Block of Whitsett Avenue in Valley Glen. The apartment building was in the process of being fumigated and the tenants temporarily moved out. Several of the units were broken into and valuables (mostly jewelry and electronics) were removed. If your house is being fumigated, please remove all valuables (especially jewelry) from the residence as this type of burglary has occurred in the past.