

## Captain's Message

When we talk about violence, we can't ignore weapons. Nine out of ten murders involve a weapon - eight of ten involve a firearm. Most robberies involve the use of a weapon, most frequently a handgun. One in seven teens has reported carrying a weapon - like a bat, club, gun, or knife - at some time to protect himself. Weapons can make violence more deadly and less personal. A gun in the home increases the likelihood of homicide three times and the likelihood of suicide five times.

### Reduce the risk

Think long and hard about having weapons, especially firearms, in your home. Studies show that a firearm in the home is more than forty times as likely to hurt or kill a family member as to stop a crime.

Look at other ways to protect yourself and your home.

- ? Invest in top-grade locks, jamming devices for doors and windows, a dog, or an alarm system.
- ? Start or join a Neighborhood Watch.
- ? How about a self-defense class.

If you do choose to own firearms - handguns, rifles, or shotguns - make sure they are safely stored. That means unloaded, trigger-locked, and in a locked gun case or pistol box, with ammunition separately locked.

Teach your children what to do if they find a firearm or something that might be a weapon - Stop, Don't Touch, Get Away, and Tell a Trusted Adult.

### Monthly Crime Prevention Tip

Children are our most precious resource. Unfortunately, because of their vulnerability, children are popular targets for molesters, drug dealers, and other predatory criminals. By working with children and teaching them crime prevention measures, we can substantially reduce the chances of child victimization.

An important tool for teaching children personal security is reinforcing their trust in the adults who care for them, e.g., parents, police and teachers. To further lessen the chances of children becoming victims, the following objectives should be stressed:

**Reassurance:** Inform your children they can be safer if they form good habits and follow some simple rules. One good rule for children to remember is: never go

anywhere with anyone without their parents' permission;

**Openness:** Encourage your children to confide in you, even if the subject feels uncomfortable;

**Strangers:** Teach your children the difference between good strangers and bad strangers. Good strangers are police officers, teachers and firefighters. Children should seek assistance from them if they are in trouble. Children should avoid other strangers; and

**Secrets:** Discourage your children from keeping bad secrets. A bad secret is when an adult tells a child to keep information from the child's parents or guardian. An example would be an adult offering a child candy to get into his or her car and then telling the child not to tell anyone. Another example would be if an adult tries to touch the private body parts of a child and then tells the child not to tell anyone. Child molesters have also been known to approach children and fake a family emergency.

### Community Relations Information

Community Relations Office (323) 342-4140  
Senior Lead Office (323) 342-4130

**Monterey Hills (4A3)**  
**Senior Lead Officer John Pedroza**  
**Phone (213) 793-0748**

### Current Crime Trends

The Basic Car (4A3) had 2 violent crime and 8 property crimes reported for the crime statistics reported Mar. 7 through March 13 2010. Graffiti continues to plague our local communities. Although Police are constantly battling vandalism related problems, community members can always assist by reporting graffiti to the graffiti abatement teams or by dialing 311 or going to [www.anti-graffiti.lacity.org](http://www.anti-graffiti.lacity.org) ATS Northeast tow has installed security cameras on the pedestrian bridge that crosses over the 110 FWY from Northeast Div. to Hollenbeck Div at the end of lacy St.

### Basic Car Info

The next Montecito Heights Neighborhood Watch meeting will be on Wed. April 14, 2010 at 4545 Homer St. at the Montecito Heights Recreation Center at 07:00 p.m.

Auto thefts involving Honda's and Toyota's, especially ranging from the years 1995 through 2000,

continue to be a problem. Remember to secure your vehicles properly and utilize alarm's and anti-theft devices if necessary.

Contact S.L.O. P EDROZA (213) 793-0748 for further information.

**El Sereno-University Hills (4A9)**  
**Senior Lead Officer Steve Morales**  
**Phone (213) 793-0749**

### **Current Crime Trends**

The current crime statistics reported an increase in violent crime. The current statistics report 7 reported crimes. The previous crime statistics reported 5 crimes.

### **Property crime**

There was a decrease in property crimes (i.e. Burglary, Grand Theft Auto, and Burglary from Motor Vehicle). There were 28 reported property crimes, a decrease from 30 crimes reported from the previous crime statistics. The most common stolen vehicle in Hollenbeck continues to be **Toyota, Honda, SUVs and pick-up trucks.**

Be more involved in communicating with your neighbors and your community leaders. Report any unusual activity; this will help reduce the amount of crime taking place in your neighborhoods. If you wish to leave an anonymous message, call (323) 526-3817 for non-emergency police assistance call 1-877-ASK LAPD, 1-877 275-5273. **Let's try to keep our community clean by calling "311" for trash, bulky items and graffiti.**

**To check the crime in your area, go to [www.lapdcrimemaps.org](http://www.lapdcrimemaps.org)**

Please call me at (213) 793-0749 or (323) 342-4135 for any questions.

**Lincoln Heights (4A15)**  
**Senior Lead Officer Austin Fernald**  
**(213) 793-0750**

### **Current Crime Trends**

For the month of March 2010, gang related crime was down significantly with no reported gang on gang shootings.

We did however have an incident next to Sacred Heart High School, where Hollenbeck officers made an

arrest of a sexual predator. What led us to this predator was an observant parent, who observed the predator watching kids walking home from school. This parent then notified the school, who then called the police.

### **Additional information**

The City of Los Angeles has a graffiti removal unit covering the Lincoln Heights area, by the name of 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.

The City of Los Angeles is also offering a \$1000 reward to anyone who provides information leading to the arrest and conviction of graffiti vandals. For more information please call (213) 978-0228.

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

The current crime statistics reported a decrease in violent crime. The current statistics report 13 reported crimes. The previous crime statistics reported 14 crimes.

### **Property Crime**

There was a decrease in property crimes (i.e. Burglary, Grand Theft Auto, and Burglary from Motor Vehicle). There were 20 reported property crimes, a decrease from 25 crimes reported from the previous crime statistics. The most common stolen vehicle in Hollenbeck continues to be **Toyota, Honda, SUVs and pick-up trucks.**

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### **Upcoming Events / Meetings**

On April 7, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. there will be a Boyle Heights Neighborhood Organization Meeting at 2201 E. 1<sup>st</sup> St. in the basement level.

## Community Safety Tip

Vehicle burglaries and vehicle thefts continue to be a concern in the Hollenbeck area despite added patrols and the arrest of several suspects. Toyotas and Hondas continue to be the suspects' vehicles of choice. Most cars that were stolen or burglarized were parked on streets. The safe place to park your vehicle would be inside of a garage. If you don't have a garage or can't use your garage, think about parking your vehicle on the driveway and install motion sensor lights. Also getting an alarm and/ or a kill switch or a steering wheel locking device could deter or at least slow down the suspects. Don't leave cell phones, purses, tools, or any other valuables in your car. If you have a removable car stereo, take it with you. If you see anything suspicious, call us. For non-emergency calls, call 877-ASK LAPD for crimes in progress call 911.

**Let's start some neighborhood watch meetings, it's a great way to get to know your neighbors and fight crime!**

Please call me at (213) 793-0753 or (323) 342-4144 for any questions. To check the crime in your area, go to [WWW.LAPDCRIMEMAPS.ORG](http://WWW.LAPDCRIMEMAPS.ORG)

**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 March 15, 2010 through March 21, 2010 showed 2 crimes.

The current crime statistics reported that property crime (i.e. Burglary, Grand Theft Auto, and Burglary from Motor Vehicle) from March 15, 2010 through March 21, 2010 showed 4 crimes.

## Crime Tip

- ? Get real time neighborhood specific crime alerts and information
- ? Get news and notices concerning your community
- ? Get police department and neighborhood watch information

For the above information log onto **E-Policing at [www.lapdepolicing.org](http://www.lapdepolicing.org)**

## Community Events

The Hillside Village Block Captain Meeting will host their monthly meeting on Thursday, April 08, 2010, at 6:00 p.m. The meeting will take place at Absolute tow, 4760 Valley Blvd.

The Hillside Village Home Owners Association will host their monthly meeting on Thursday, April 08, 2010, at 7:00 p.m. The meeting will take place at Absolute Tow, 4760 Valley Blvd.

The Winter St. Neighborhood Watch will be hosting their 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting Wednesday March 31, at 6:00 p.m. Please call Jose Huizar's 14 district Office (323) 526-3059 for the meeting address.

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

Hollenbeck Community Station (323)-342-4100  
2111 E. 1<sup>st</sup> St. Los Angeles, Calif. 90033.

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

## Current Crime Trends

The current crime statistics reported that there was a slight increase in violent crime. The current statistics reported 19 reported crimes. The previous crime statistics reported 17 reported crimes.

## Property Crime

There was a slight decrease in property crimes (i.e. Burglary, Grand Theft Auto, and Burglary from Motor Vehicle). There were 28 reported property crimes. The previous crime statistics reported 34 reported crimes. The most commonly stolen vehicle in Hollenbeck continues to be Toyota and Honda.

Here is some crime prevention tips. Stay alert, and always be aware of your surroundings. Park your vehicle in a well-lighted area and lock your car. If you have a car alarm, make sure it's in good working order and it is activated when you are away from your car. Please secure your vehicle and keep all valuables from sight. Always place items in the trunk of your vehicle prior to arriving at your destination. If you should place items in your trunk of your vehicle while shopping, move your car to another parking area before leaving the vehicle unattended.

As you all know graffiti is on the rise in and around Hollenbeck Division. Besides taking away from the beauty of our neighborhoods these activities can lead to more serious crimes. So please report any vandalism/graffiti activity in your area and attempt to get the best description of these individuals possible, so our officers can have a better chance in arresting them.

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 neighborhoods. 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 will remain anonymous. For non-emergency police assistance call 1-877-ASK LAPD. 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**

The period covering February 21, 2010 through March 20 saw a reduction in property crime compared to the last report. There were 40 property and 11 violent crimes reported.

Street robberies continue to occur in the area but several arrests of robbery suspects should reduce the number of such incidents.

The thefts of vehicles and burglary from motor vehicles have gone down slightly. As a reminder always lock and secure your vehicle and never leave anything valuable inside.

#### **Basic Car Information**

We are seeking business owners in the Hollenbeck Area to join a Business Watch. The concept is the same as a neighborhood watch but comprised of business owners who share a common goal; to make the community they serve a safe and better place to work. I will provide further information in upcoming newsletters and on **E-Policing at [www.lapdepolicing.org](http://www.lapdepolicing.org)**

Feel free to call me at (213) 793-0754



#### **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 the 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:

- ? Volunteering for a law enforcement agency
- ? Police crime report writing
- ? Communicating with the public
- ? Job Opportunities:

**HOLLENBECK COMMUNITY  
POLICE ADVISORY BOARD  
MONTHLY MEETING**

April 21<sup>st</sup>, 2010, at 6 p.m. in the Hollenbeck Community room.

After successful completion of the Volunteer training, the citizen volunteers have over twelve different types of job descriptions to choose from. The jobs range from; helping citizens at the police station's front desk, assisting detectives with administrative duties, working alongside officers at community events, and citizens working crime surveillance.

**Hollenbeck Area**

2111 E. 1st Street  
Los Angeles, California 90033

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

**CPAB**

Hollenbeck Area Community - Police Advisory Board

Community - Police Advisory Boards (C-PABs) were created in 1993 to provide community members with an opportunity to provide information and advice to their respective Area and to take information from the police department back to the community.

Each of the 21 geographic Areas (community police stations) throughout Los Angeles has its own C-PAB. These advisory groups meet monthly to discuss crime and quality of life issues. Each C-PAB has two co-chairs, one of 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 your Senior Lead Officer assigned to your concerned community or Officer Anthony Macklin, Hollenbeck C-PAB Coordinator at (323) 342-4144.