

Captain's Message

Street gangs in Los Angeles are described as a group of individuals who may or may not claim control over a certain territory in the community and engage, either individually or collectively, in violent or other forms of illegal behavior. However, one of the simplest and most functional definitions is that a gang is a group of people who form an allegiance for a common purpose and engage in violent, unlawful, or criminal activity. Although few gangs have a form of leadership, most do not have a formal organization and have, as a leader, the strongest or the most active member. The gang has a name, claims a particular territory or neighborhood and directs its criminal activity towards rival gangs and the general population in the form of robberies, assaults and narcotics sales.

As partners in solving problems in our neighborhoods, we need to identify and uproot the gang members that are committing crimes in our Area. Contact the Police Department when you see any gang activity.

Monthly Crime Prevention Tip

Carjacking Stealing a car by force has captured headlines across the country. Statistically, your chances of being a carjacking victim are very slim and prevention actions can reduce the risk even more.

Why is Carjacking a Problem?

No one knows for certain, but some explanations include:

- It's a crime of opportunity - a thief searching for the most vulnerable prey. Sometimes, it's the first step in another crime.
- For some young people, carjacking may be a rite of passage, a status symbol, or just a thrill.
- Sophisticated alarms and improved locking devices make it harder for thieves to steal unoccupied cars.
- It's easy to buy, steal, or barter for guns in this country. A pointed gun makes a powerful threat.
- More teens and adults commit crimes of violence than ever before.

Anywhere, Anyone

- Though carjackings can occur anytime, a sizable share appear to take place during the late night hours.
- Carjackers look for opportunity. They don't choose victims by sex, race, or age.

Golden opportunities: what do carjackers look for?

- Intersections controlled by stop lights or signs.
- Garages and parking lots for mass transit, shopping malls, and grocery stores.
- Self-serve gas stations and car washes.
- ATMs (automated teller machines).
- Residential driveways and streets as people get into and out of cars.
- Highway exit and entry ramps or any place else that drivers slow down or stop.

Reduce Your Risk

Getting In

- Walk with purpose and stay alert.
- Approach your car with the key in hand. Look around and inside the car before getting in.
- Be wary of people asking for directions or handing out fliers.
- Trust your instincts - if something makes you feel uneasy, get into the car quickly, lock the doors and drive away.

On the Road

- Keep your doors locked and windows rolled up (at least part-way, if it's hot and you don't have air conditioning), no matter how short the distance or how safe the neighborhood.
- When you're coming to a stop, leave enough room to maneuver around other cars, especially if you sense trouble and need to get away.
- Drive in the center lane to make it harder for would-be carjackers to approach the car.
- Avoid driving alone. Go with someone whenever possible, especially at night.
- Don't stop to assist a stranger whose car is broken down. Help instead by driving to the nearest phone and calling police to help.

Getting Out

- Park in well-lighted areas, near sidewalks or walkways. Avoid parking near dumpsters, woods, large vans or trucks, or anything else that limits your visibility.
- Never leave valuables in plain view, even if the car is locked. Put them in the trunk or out of sight.
- Even if you're rushed, look around before you get out and stay alert to the surroundings.

If It Happens to You

- If the carjacker threatens you with a gun or other weapon, give up your car. Don't argue. Your life is worth more than a car.
- Get away from the area as quickly as possible.
- Try to remember what the carjacker looked like - sex, race, age, hair, eye color, special features, and clothes.
- Report the crime immediately to the police.

Take Action

- Work with Neighborhood Watch groups, law enforcement, automobile club, and other concerned groups to get the word out about carjacking prevention. Try a special flier, a community forum and posters.
- Ask your insurance agent or company to put carjacking and other auto theft prevention information in notices and bills.

Traffic Tip of the Month

Recreational Vehicles (RVs) are a great means of escaping the hustle and bustle of city life while still affording all the amenities of home. Recreational vehicles can be as small as a camper shell on a pick-up truck or as large as a house car.

By adhering to the laws and safety tips provided by the California Highway Patrol (CHP), driving a RV will be a pleasurable and rewarding experience. Be sure to educate yourself on the laws and do's and don'ts prior to driving a recreational vehicle.

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

Between, February 1 and February 26, Basic Car (4A3) had 3 violent crime and 8 property crimes. Log onto, crime.latimes.com for crime trend updates in your area. 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

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 Street.

Basic Car Info

Our Battle of the Badges Blood Drive held February 1, 2011 at Hollenbeck Station was a success, Hollenbeck officers and community members donated 52 pints of blood. Hollenbeck came in first over all among the L.A.P.D Divisions. Thanks to all who participated.

The next Montecito Heights Neighborhood Watch meeting will be on Wednesday, March 9, 2011 at 4545 Homer Street. (Montecito Heights Recreation Center) at 07:00 pm.

Auto thefts involving Hondas and Toyotas, 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 info.

Here are a few LA City Resources:

Stored / Abandoned Vehicles
1-800-ABANDON (1-800-222-6366)
<http://wmq.etimspayments.com/pbw/include/la/complaintform.jsp?complainttype=1>

Graffiti Removal Request Form
<http://anti-graffiti.lacity.org/welcome.cfm?CFID=216&CFTOKEN=EA389268-D626-4405-A0097A9AD7D462FA>

Illegal Dumping Pick up Request form
http://san.lacity.org/solid_resources/refuse/SR_IllegalDumping.html

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

Current Crime Trends

The El Sereno Basic Car (4A9) had a decrease of violent crime. In the last four week extraction period there were seven reported violent crimes. There were four robberies, one (acquaintance) rape, and an

aggravated assault (with two victims). The street robberies were on the 5300 block of Alhambra Avenue, 4900 block of Huntington Dr, and the 3600 blocks of Randolph Av. The suspect on the Randolph robbery was arrested. The remaining robbery was a business robbery on the 2400 block Mariondale Avenue. The multi-2 aggravated assault was on the 2600 block of Round Drive.

There were 24 reported property crimes in this extraction period. Of these seven were GTA's (grand theft autos), six were BTMV (burglary or thefts from motor vehicles), five were residential or commercial burglaries, and there were six plain thefts. Although there were more than usual burglaries, none of them appear to be related.

Crime Tip

If you own an older model Honda or Toyota please use some type of security device. These types of vehicles are frequently stolen. A steering wheel lock device is strongly recommended.

To check the crime in your area, go to WWW.LAPDCRIMEMAPS.ORG.

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

Current Crime Trends

For the month of February 2011, though gang related crime remains low, we did have a gang related shooting at Moonstone Dr and Pyrites Ave. This occurred when a vehicle drove up Moonstone Dr towards the dead end and a lone male possible 18th Street gang member, fired several rounds at the victims vehicle. Fortunately no one was injured, but the shooter fled the scene and is still being sought.

Theft of vehicle registration stickers have continues to be a problem in Lincoln Heights and you are still encouraged to use any legal method to prevent such crime from occurring, such as etching the sticker with a razor. If you should become a victim of such a crime you need to made a theft report at your nearest police station and provide a copy to DMV to obtain new stickers.

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.

Also if you have complaints that are transient related you can contact Officer Medina, who assignment is to work on transient/homeless complaints. He can be reached at (213) 793-0751.

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

Current Crime Trends

The current crime statistics reported an increase in violent crime, (i.e. Robbery, Assaults Battery, etc). The period covering from February 13, 2011 through February 19, 2011 reported 2 crimes.

Property Crime

There was a decrease in property crimes i.e. Burglary, Grand Theft Auto, and Burglary from Motor Vehicle. From February 13, 2011 through February 19, 2011 there was 1 reported crime.

The most common stolen vehicle in Hollenbeck continues to be Toyota, Honda and SUVs.

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 keep our community clean by calling "311" for trash, bulky items and graffiti.

Upcoming Events / Meetings

On March 1, 2011 at 8:00 pm there will be a CD-14 Candidate Forum at the Senior Center located at 2839 E. 3rd St. Councilmember Huizar and CD-14 Candidate Martinez will be answering questions.

On March 2, 2011 at 6:00 pm there will a Boyle Heights Neighbor Organization meeting at 2201 E. 1st St. in the basement level.

On March 8, 2011, Election day!!

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, (1-877 275-5273) for crimes in progress call 911.

Let's start some neighborhood & Business 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 and www.lapdpolicing.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 **February 20, 2011** through **February 26, 2011** showed no crimes. Great week

The current crime statistics reported that property crime (i.e. Burglary, Grand Theft Auto, and Burglary from Motor Vehicle) from February **20, 2011** through **February 26, 2011** showed 4 crimes.

As of January 1, 2011, to present date. There are no Homicides in the Hollenbeck Division.

Community Events:

The Hillside Village Block Captain Meeting will host their monthly meeting on Thursday, March 10, 2011, at 6:00 P.M. The meeting will take place at Absolute tow, 4760 Valley Bl.

The Hillside Village Home Owners Association will host their monthly meeting on Thursday, March 10,

2011, at 7:00 p.m. The meeting will take place at Absolute Tow, 4760 Valley Bl.

The Winter St. Neighborhood Watch will be hosting their 7th meeting Tuesday, March 22, 2011, at 6:00 p.m. Please call Jose Huizar's 14 district Office (323-526-3059) for the meeting location.

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. 1st 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 decrease in violent crime. The current statistics reported 11 violent crimes. The previous crime period reported 15 violent crimes.

Property Crime

There was a decrease in property crimes (i.e. Burglary, Grand Theft Auto, and Burglary from Motor Vehicle). There were 26 reported property crimes. The previous crime period reported 29 property crimes. The most commonly stolen vehicle in Hollenbeck continues to be Toyota and Honda.

Crime Tip of the month

Make sure all windows and doors in your home can be locked securely, particularly sliding glass doors. Use the locks. Keep entrances well lit. Install a peephole in the door and use it. Check the identification of any sales or service persons before letting them in. Don't let any stranger into your home when you're alone, no matter what the reason or how dire the emergency is said to be. Offer to make an emergency phone call while the person waits outside. Never give the impression that you are home alone if strangers telephone or come to the door. If you live alone, use only your last name and initials on the mail boxes and in phone directories. Get to know your neighbors, people you can turn to when you're worried. If you live in an apartment, avoid being in the laundry room or garage by yourself, especially at night. If you come home and find a door or window open or signs of a forced entry, don't go in. Go to the nearest phone and call the police.

When you're away make sure your home looks occupied. Here are some things you can do. Don't spread the news about your travel plans, business trips, etc. Put some electrical equipment on timers, such as lamps or radio. Arrange for call forwarding, the phone company can route your calls to a trusted friend, neighbor, relative or your cell phone. Ask someone to collect your mail and newspaper every day. Set up regular yard care such as mowing the lawn and watering the garden. Ask a trusted friend to check your home every few days.

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

For the period covering January 23, 2011 to February 19, 2011, there were 6 violent and 27 property crimes reported.

We are deploying available resources to the southern area in an effort to reduce the number of reported property crimes. This area continues to have a high number of BFMV's and GTA's.

To prevent your home from being burglarized, lock and secure your doors and windows. Also remember, to secure your lawn equipment in your garage or home. Thieves are also looking for an easy opportunity to take advantage of unsuspecting victims.

Community Events

The next Community Police Academy will commence on March 24, 2011. This class will be in English and is open to everyone 16 years and older. It's not too late to join, call me at the listed number or e-mail at; 27628@LAPD.LACITY.ORG.



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;

Basic Law;
 Volunteering for a law enforcement agency;
 Police crime report writing;
 Communicating with the public;
 Assisting the Department in the event of civil unrest;
 Field tactics;

member, contact your Senior Lead Officer assigned to your concerned area or Officer Anthony Macklin, Hollenbeck C-PAB Coordinator, at (323) 342-4144.

**HOLLENBECK COMMUNITY
 POLICE ADVISORY BOARD
 MONTHLY MEETING**

The next meeting will be March 16, 2011, at 6:00 p.m. in the Hollenbeck Community room.

Job Opportunities:

After successful completion of the Volunteer training, the citizen volunteers have over 12 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 (04)
 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

C-PAB

The Community Police Advisory Boards (C-PAB) 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 19 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