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Basic Car 2A1 Senior Lead Officer Matthew Zeigler Cell (213) 793-0771 E-mail 34208@lapd.lacity.org

Boundaries:

On the south, Beverly Bl. North on Vermont Ave, east on Melrose Ave to Hoover. North on Hoover to Santa Monica Blvd, west on Santa Monica Blvd to Normandie. South on Normandie, back to Beverly Blvd.

Reporting Districts: 0201,0202,0203,0211 and 0221.

Crime Report

There has been a total of thirty-five part one crimes reported between March 24, 2013 and April 20, 2013. With the warm weather approaching, we are starting to see property crime increase. The area between Normandie and Vermont and Melrose to Beverly is experiencing an increase in car burglaries. Most of these crimes are occurring because car doors are being left unlocked. Protect yourself and your property. Lock your doors, hide your property and don't become a victim. Recently, Rampart Division has been handing out "crime alert" fliers in these areas as part of our "Hide it, Lock it, Keep it" campaign. Below is a breakdown of the part one crime. Remember to always report suspicious people in your neighborhood to the police department.

Homicide: 0Rape: 0Robbery: 6Assault: 2Burglary: 4

- Burglary from Auto: 14

- Theft: 3 - GTA: 6

It is important to remember that criminals often prey on those who are unaware of their surroundings or pre-occupied with something else. Be aware at all times and pay particular attention as you walk or drive down streets. It is worth noting that most of the crimes are occurring are between the hours of 12:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m. That is not an opinion, it is fact. And remember to "Like us" on Facebook to receive crime updates in your neighborhood.

Community Group Information

Virgil Village neighborhood watch meets on the fourth Wednesday of the month at 7:00 PM.

East Hollywood Neighborhood Council meets on the third Monday of the month

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Community Police Advisory Board meets the first Tuesday of the month.

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Front desk: (213) 484-3400

City Resources: 311

Basic Car 2A12 Senior Lead Officer Victor Gutierrez Cell (213) 793-0770 E-mail 26802@lapd.lacity.org

The boundaries for basic car 2A12 are Sunset Bl to the north, 3rd St to the south, Vermont Av to the west and to the east. There are five reporting districts (RD) within this basic car area: RD's 0204, 205, 212, 215 and 231. There are two Neighborhood Councils that are within my Basic Car boundaries: The Silverlake Neighborhood Council and the Rampart Village Neighborhood Council. Both of these Neighborhood Councils have websites you can visit to find out their meeting dates and times, and fall under Council District 13 (Eric Garcetti).

Crime Trends:

Our neighborhood continues to look fairly good. We continue to have some issues with property crimes though. Recently it was brought to our attention that some unattended personal items were being stolen at some of the local stores. Items such as sunglasses, phones, wallets etc. had been stolen from inside shopping baskets and checkout counters at some of the stores & check cashing locations. Again we ask that you be aware of your surroundings and never leave anything unattended.

Also in light of recent events in Boston, we ask that you all remain vigilant & report any suspicious activity or packages that might be left unattended along our streets or near important buildings in our area.

Please mark this dates on your calendars

Tuesday, May 7^{th} , Rampart C-PAB is holding their monthly meeting at Good Sam Hospital at 6PM.

Tuesday, May 21st, Rampart Village Neighborhood Council holds their meetings at St. Anne's at 155 North Occidental Blvd.

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Do you have a Facebook account? Well we do. Our Facebook page is up and running. Go to LAPD Rampart and read up on what's happening in our area. Don't forget to "LIKE" us! That way you will be informed on crime trends, recent incidents and upcoming events in the Rampart Area.

If you witness a crime or see something unusual please report it or contact Crime Stoppers at (800) 222-TIPS (8477).

If you would like to start up a "Neighborhood Watch Group" in your area, please don't hesitate to contact me at the above listed phone number.

Thank you and God bless you all.

Basic Car 2A17 Senior Lead Officer Gutierrez Cell (213) 793-0770

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BOUNDARIES:

The boundaries for Basic Car 2A17 are from Temple St north to Sunset Bl between Glendale and Coronado and Temple St south to 3rd St between Alvarado and Occidental.

HOW TO GET INVOLVED:

I would encourage all citizens within this basic car area to get involved in the community. The Community Police Advisory Board meets every 1st Tuesday of the month at 6:00 PM, Rampart Village Neighborhood Council meets every 3rd Tuesday of the month at 5:30 PM, and Greater Echo Park Elysian Neighborhood Council meets the 4th Tuesday of the month at 6:30 PM. There is also numerous neighborhood watch groups that meet periodically to discuss issues within their communities and problem solve.

If you are interested in becoming more informed about what is occurring in your community or would like to meet additional residents in the area who share the same interest in keeping your community safe and clean, please contact me for the meeting locations.

KNOWING THE COMMUNITY AND DECREASING CRIME:

It is important to know your neighbors and other residents within your community. This interaction helps residents identify who might or might not belong in the area as well as their

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intentions. When community members get to know their neighbors they tend to look out for one another including each other's property. This extra pair eyes are what will assist us in decreasing property crimes. Be a good neighbor. If you see something that doesn't look right, it probably isn't. Call the police and let us determine through investigation if a crime occurred. Your neighbor will thank you and be more apt to repay the favor.

CRIME REDUCTION:

Our goal is to build a partnership where we work together to reduce crime, problem solve and continue the beautification efforts for the City of Los Angeles. One way we combat crime is in enforcing trespass violations. This allows us to keep both vacant and working properties free from vandals, burglars and thieves. If you are a property owner or manager, please post LAMC No Trespassing Signs and be sure to sign a Trespass authorization letter at Rampart Station.

ADDITIONAL:

Please use 311 for bulky item pick-up and graffiti removal. If you live in an apartment complex or manage a complex please contact me if you are interested in organizing a bulky item drop off event. These types of events can be coordinated and organized through the Senior Lead Officer and the council district office. It is important to keep the community free of abandon bulky items which draw groups to loiter and drink. In addition, these bulky items usually accumulate and become an eyesore in the community.

Basic Car 2A39 Senior Lead Officer Lewis Ford Cell (213) 793-0775 E-mail <u>27387@lapd.lacity.org</u>

The boundaries for 2A39's area are Sunset Bl to the North, the 110 Freeway to the East, 3rd St to the South and Glendale Bl / Union Ave to the West. The Reporting Districts in the basic car area are: RD's 218,219,237,238 and 239

During the month of April crime in Basic Car Area 2A39 was low. However, in the Angelino Hgts, and Echo Park communities there were a few more Burglaries/Theft from Vehicles than in the past.

The BTFV suspects are still targeting vehicles with small easy to carry items left visibly inside, (i.e. Lap Tops, Camera's, I-Pods, and GPS systems).

Burglary suspects usually are males between 16 yrs. and 30 yrs. of age, carrying a backpack or some type of article to carry or transport tools. They often work early in the morning or late at night.

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Please be sure to remove I-Pod, cell phones, lap tops, GPS systems and cameras from your vehicles or place them in the trunk.

"Lock It, Hide It, Keep It"

Traffic concerns:

There are two main traffic concerns in A39's area. The first is the Triangle intersection located at Bellevue St, Marion Av, and E. Kensington Rd. This intersection has (8) directions with posted Stop Signs. Please be aware if you past through this area and drive safely.

The second location is at Union Av and Court St. The crosswalk at this location is used by many school children who attend Our Lady of Loretto. Southbound and northbound vehicle traffic is traveling at high rates of speed making it unsafe for pedestrians in the crosswalk.

If you have any traffic concerns near your residence please call me at (213) 7930775 and let me know what your concerns are.

UP-COMING EVENTS:

Rampart Area CPAB Mtg..... 05/07/13 (6:00 pm 637 Lucas St) E.P.I.A. Mtg......05/02 /13 (7:00 pm Barlow Hosp) Station) EPSA Mtg......05/23/13 (2:00 pm Edendale Library) G.E.P.N.C Mtg.......05/28 /13 (7:00 PM at 212 n. Lake St)

Basic Car Area 2A45 **Senior Lead Officer Iris Santin** Cell (213) 793-0778

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Basic car 2A45 covers the area of Alvarado St to the East, Hoover St to the West, 3rd St to the North and James M. Wood to the South.

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Crime Trends:

Vehicle burglaries and vehicle thefts continue to be a concern in the Rampart area. These crimes are occurring most frequently during the week between the hours of 3AM-5AM. Toyotas and Hondas are suspect's choice of vehicle. We are promoting the Lock It, Hide It, and Keep It Campaign. We strongly encourage community members to not leave valuables in their vehicles that might catch the attention of a criminal..

Prevention:

- -Lock all car doors and windows
- -Ensure that all your valuables remain out of view or in your house (i.e. cell phones, GPS, ipods)
- -Record the serial numbers of your electronic and computer equipment in a secure location
- -If you observe suspicious activity, contact 911 (Emergency), 311 (Non- Emergency) immediately.

Gangs:

The community needs to reach out to our youth before gang members get a hold of them. Please contact the Rampart Community Relations Office (CRO) at (213) 484-3063 for more information regarding our CADET and Martial Arts programs.

Graffiti:

If you see any graffiti that needs to be removed contact *Central City Action Committee* at 311 or (213) 241-0908. If you have any information regarding gang activity please contact *Rampart Gang Detail* at (213) 484-2660.

Community Events:

MacArthur Park Neighborhood Council April 13, 2013 6PM-9PM 2618 W 7th St Los Angeles CA, 90026

Facebook:

http://www.facebook.com/LapdRampartDivision

Twitter:

@RampartDivision

CRIME TIPS
877-LAPD 247
877-527-3247
LA Crime Stoppers - http://lacrimestoppers.com/

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Basic Car Area 2A56 Senior Lead Officer Jason Abner Cell No. (213) 793-0784 E-mail 35838@lapd.lacity.org

Boundaries:

Temple Street south to 7th Street between Alvarado Street and Union Avenue.

Crime Trends:

The main problem in the area continues to be the illegal vending that stretches along 6^{th} St and down the Alvarado Corridor. The illegal vending is a violation of the Los Angeles Municipal Code and can lead to being cited or arrested. We are working closely with the business owners as well as the illegal vendors themselves to address the problem. We are continually deploying resources, including Senior Lead Officers and the Bicycle Unit, to deal with the illegal vending issues.

-If you observe suspicious activity, contact the police immediately by calling 911 (Emergency) or 877-LAPD 24 7 (Non Emergency).

We have had an increase in the number of robberies occurring in the last couple of weeks. The robberies seem to be mostly occurring in the area of 3rd St and 6th St between Union and Alvarado.

If you witness a crime or see something unusual please report it or contact Crime Stoppers at (800) 222-Tips (8477).

If you would like to start up a "Neighborhood Watch Group" in your area or need any information on Basic Car Area 2A56, please don't hesitate to contact me at the above listed phone number.

Basic Car 2A69 Senior Lead Officer Amanda Serrano Cell (213) 793-0776 E-mail 26603@lapd.lacity.org

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BOUNDARIES:

The boundaries for Basic Car 2A69 are 3rd St South to James M. Wood, and Union Ave East to the 110 freeway.

Crime Trends:

Below are year to date reported crime in the area for April 2013:

Homicide 0 Rape 3 Robbery 9 Assaults 14

Total Violent Crimes 26

This is 28% reduction for violent crimes reported in April 2012

Burglary 9 Grand Theft Auto 8 Burglary/Theft Veh 36 Personal theft 33

Total Property Crimes: 86

This is an increase of 16% for property crimes reported in April 2012

UPCOMING EVENTS:

5/7/13	637 S Lucas - Rampart CPAB
	6:00 Conference Room Good Samaritan Hospital
	Validated parking at 638 S Lucas

5/15/13 Hair Cuts for a Cause

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9am – 4pm - Professional haircuts with all proceeds to the American

Cancer Society

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Basic Car 2A75
Being handled by Senior Lead Officer Patricia Braendle
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BOUNDARIES

The boundaries for Basic Car 2A75 are from 7th St south to 11th St between Union Ave and Lake St. James M Wood south to 11th St between Lake St and Hoover St.

HOW TO GET INVOLVED:

I would encourage all citizens within this basic car area to get involved in the community. The Community Police Advisory Board meets every 1st Tuesday of the month at 6:00 PM; Westlake Protectors Neighborhood Watch meets every 1st Thursday of the month at 6:00 pm. The 2nd Wednesday of every month is Westlake Project Area Committee Meeting which takes place at 1625 W. Olympic Bl on the 10th floor, Suite 1000. Westlake South Neighborhood Council meetings are held the 4th Monday of every month at 1605 W. Olympic Bl on the 9th floor. This committee meets to discuss and plan improvements for the Westlake Area and well as organize upcoming events.

CRIME REDUCTION:

We have recently seen an increase of Robberies in the Westlake area. Please be cognizant of your surroundings as you walk from point A to point B. Criminal opportunist prey on victims that have visible electronic devices in their possession and visible jewelry. If you will be walking around alone or late in the evening try not to wear jewelry or have jewelry visible. Make sure that you are attentive and not too involved on your cell phone or texting with your head down. Most importantly wearing earphones prevents you from hearing someone walking behind you and also lets a criminal opportunist know that you have either a cell phone or other MP3 electronic device on you.

Our goal is to build a partnership where we work together to reduce crime, problem solve and continue the beautification efforts for the City of Los Angeles. As summer approaches and the temperatures rise, be cognizant of your open windows and doors. It doesn't take a crime of opportunity long before you and your property are victimized. Please ensure that you are securing your residence when you leave for the day or even just a couple of minutes.

ADDITIONAL:

We are still having a problem with bulky items being placed in the alleyways and on the sidewalks that often stay there for weeks. Please use 311 for bulky item pick-up and graffiti removal. If you live in an apartment complex or manage a complex please contact me if you are interested in organizing a bulky item drop off event. These types of events can be coordinated

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and organized through the Senior Lead Officer and the council district office. It is important to keep the community free of abandon bulky items which draw groups to loiter and drink. In addition, these bulky items usually accumulate and become an eyesore in the community.

EVENTS:

June 1, 2013 La Curacao Kid's event and back pack giveaway, 1605 W. Olympic Bl

Basic Car 2A92 Senior Lead Officer Patty Braendle Cell (213) 793-0777 Email 33655@lapd.lacity.org

BOUNDARIES:

The Los Angeles Police Department Rampart Division is responsible for patrolling the Pico-Union area of Rampart.

The area for Basic car 2A92 boundary is Hoover on the west, the 110 freeway on the east, the 10 freeway on the south, and 11th St until Union Ave and James M Wood after Union Ave on the north side.

CRIME TRENDS:

Community members and Police need to continue to work in partnership together so we can keep crime down in Pico Union area. Property crimes seem to be the target early on this year so please remember to lock up your houses and vehicles and don't have any valuables anywhere visible. These small or big valuables are what makes you become a victim of a crime.

Grand Theft Autos have increased over the past month in the Pico Union area. Please be a good neighbor and if you see something that looks suspicious or just does not seem right call PD and report it. Do not be afraid to call the Police if you see someone looking into vehicles parked on the street or checking to see if the doors are locked. If you have any information to share with Detectives please call it into the We Tip hotline 1-800-222-8477.

If you see something that does not seem like it is right or you feel that it is suspicious activity do not hesitate to call 9-1-1 and report it. Please remember that when you do report crime give us all the details and descriptions of suspects involved in order to assist PD in finding the right suspects.

Please help our community by calling 3-1-1 for Graffiti removal and Bulky Item pick up. Let's all take a few minutes to help make the community a cleaner and better place.

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TRAFFIC CONCERNS:

Please remember to drive safely at all times especially during heavy traffic hour when there is a lot of pedestrian activity. Please be extra cautious in school areas when children are coming and going from school. Washington and Union Ave has been a problem intersection for traffic accidents so please be extra cautious while conducting left turns there. Give yourself enough time to get places so you do not have to speed through residential areas.

ADDITIONAL:

Upcoming events: The Pico Union Neighborhood Council meeting will be held on May 6th at 6:30 P.M. at1225 S Union Ave at the Kolping House. The Rampart C-PAB meeting will be held on May 7th at 6:00 P.M at Good Samaritan Hospital. If you would like more information on any of these meetings or would like to start a new neighborhood watch in your area please feel free to contact me.