

Basic Car 19A1 Sylmar (West of Glenoaks Blvd.)
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Welcome to the Newsletter for Basic Car 19A1 for March 2016

Basic Car Crime Trends:

Burglary/Theft from Vehicle (BTFV): An automobile is not a safe place to leave valuables even for a few moments-they will be stolen. Do not leave ANY personal property- including bills and mail, visible in your vehicle. Avoid becoming a victim- Lock your vehicle and secure all items of value out of sight, in the glove box or trunk.

Protect yourself from ID and Credit theft

Criminals scavenge through our trash and recycling bins on trash day. Please shred all papers thrown in the trash or recycling bin that contain personal information. If you see someone going through yours or your neighbor's trash immediately call (877) 275-5273 and request a Patrol car in your area.

Never give out your PIN, birthdate, social security number or other personal ID over the phone or in response to a text or email. When filling out forms question why the information is ask for and if it is required. Do NOT carry your Social Security card with you. You are allowed one free credit report yearly from each credit company: 1-877-322-8228, www.annualcreditreport.com

When mailing bills, items with checks or personal information- Do not use Postal drop boxes after the last scheduled pick up or on weekends- use the slot located inside the Post Office.

When using an ATM: be cautious, go in the daytime with a friend who can look out. If you are alone or at night choose a well lit and visible ATM. Inspect for tampering, if you feel something is wrong cancel the transaction and find a different machine. There is a secure ATM available to the public in the Mission Station lobby 11121 N. Sepulveda Blvd.

Community Awareness is the Key to Crime Prevention

A Neighborhood Watch of One- You can make a difference.

Do not depend on your neighbors to call the police. Responsibility starts with YOU! Keep an eye out for suspicious people and vehicles in your neighborhood and take action!

What you can do:

- Pay attention to what is going on in your neighborhood. Be aware of pedestrians and vehicles, joggers and bicyclists, vans and delivery trucks, juveniles out during school hours.
- A license plate number can crack a case. If it is safe- collect and report details including the number and description of suspects, vehicle description, license plate numbers and distinguishing marks.
- If you see someone knocking on doors on your block or other suspicious or criminal activity immediately call LAPD non-emergency dispatch: (877) 275-5273 (1-877-ASK-LAPD).
- Call 911 for emergencies, immediate threat or if you believe a crime is in progress.
- Neighbors who know each other are more likely to watch out for each other. Get to know your neighbors, and then get them involved. Create a neighborhood roster and phone tree to alert your neighbors if you see suspicious persons or activity on your street
- Engrave expensive electronics such as television sets, DVD players, computers and game consoles with your California Driver License or an identifying mark. This will make your items identifiable for the police and returned to you.

- Communities with a **Neighborhood Watch** are better prepared and a less desirable target for criminals. You will learn ways to protect yourself. The more people we can get involved, the safer your community will be. Sylmar has several Neighborhood Watch Groups Working together, the Community and LAPD will make a difference.

Quality of Life issues:

Graffiti removal call Sylmar Graffiti Busters (818) 362-8702

Free Bulky Item Pickup: When you need to discard items such as couches, mattresses, etc. call 311 to have them picked up. Wait until the evening before your collection date to put items at the curb.

Meetings and links: The Sylmar Block Captains meeting and Neighborhood Watch is Tuesday, March 17, 6:30– 7:30pm at Mission Community Police Station in the Community Room. We will share crime trends and community events. Everyone is welcome.

Sylmar Neighborhood Council meets the fourth Thursday, 6:30 PM. For meeting Location check their website: www.sylmarneighborhoodcouncil.org or call (818)833-8737

Mission Community Police Advisory Board (CPAB) The purpose of the Board is to improve relations with the LAPD and discuss Community issues. Committees include Public Nuisance, Community Outreach, Telephone Tree and Events. CPAB meets the 3rd Wednesday of the month, 6:15 PM, Mission Community Police Station Community Room, 11121 Sepulveda Blvd, Mission Hills

Basic Car Area 19A7 (Sylmar East of Glenoaks)

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Welcome to Newsletter for Basic Car 19A7 for March 2016.

Crime trends:

Beginning our year in 2016, Grand Theft Auto continues to be our primary concern at this time. If anyone has Information regarding GTA suspects, please contact me as soon as possible. Most of the incidents involving Grand Theft Auto are occurring when most people are sleeping between the hours of 8 PM and 6 AM. Please be mindful of this and properly secure your vehicles, and leave your porch lights on to illuminate the area.

The crime trends in Sylmar involved mostly property crimes. The Foothill Blvd. and Dronfield Ave. Corridor's appear the most affected. Thefts, Burglary from Motor Vehicles, and Motor Vehicle thefts were most prevalent. If you have any information that could help us find these criminals, please contact the Detective front desk at 818-838-9810.

Burglary and thefts from motor vehicles in most cases are preventable, but continue to be a serious problem. Don't leave any valuables in your vehicle. Remember "Hide it, Lock It, Keep it". Credit reports contain very important information about you, including what accounts you have, and your bill paying history. The law requires the major nationwide consumer reporting companies (Equifax, Experian, Transunion) to give you a free copy of your credit report each year, if you ask for it. Get yours at: www.annualcreditreport.com, or call 1-877-322-8228.

Please remember to do the following to minimize your chances of being a victim:

- : Inspect the exterior of your residence and clean up any over growth on your landscape where thieves can hide.
- : Make sure your valuables within your residence are not visible from the outside.
- : Lock your doors, windows, gates and set your alarm every time you leave.
- : Place an interior light on a timer so your residence is not dark when you're not home.

And finally, please report suspicious vehicles, persons, or activities in your neighborhood by calling the LAPD non-emergency number at 1-877-ASK-LAPD (1-877-275-5273). Please share this information with your neighbors, family, and friends.

Basic Car Area 19A43 (Mission Hills Area)

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Hello from Senior Lead Officer Philip Ruiz:

Hello, I hope everyone is doing well. Our goal for the 2016 year is to reduce Part-1 crime by two percent from the previous year. We have a lot of work to do to achieve that goal, but with your assistance and continued involvement, we can accomplish our goal. It's important that everyone continue to be involved and report any suspicious activity you see in or around your neighborhoods.

With that being said, I wanted to point out that so far in the early going of this 2016 year, I have been receiving more calls than in years past with tips & information regarding suspicious activity in your neighborhoods. Thank you for the calls and please keep the calls coming in. I really appreciate you being proactive and looking out for your community.

One of the things I would like to do in the 2016 year, is to increase the number of Neighborhood Watch Groups we currently have. If any of you are interested in starting up or even joining a Neighborhood Watch in your neighborhood, please contact me at (818) 838-9843 so we can go over details and get you started up.

Remember the telephone number to Mission Station front desk is (818) 838-9800. You may call the station directly to obtain general information, crime related advice and to make crime reports. Again, I would like to remind everyone to please don't call my office or cellular telephone numbers if you want to report crimes in progress. Please call 911 if there is an emergency or (877) 275-5273 for non-emergencies. Time is valuable so do not hesitate to call.

The Mission Hills Neighborhood Watch meetings take place on 4th Tuesday of each month at Mission Community Police Station Community Room and begin promptly at 7:00 p.m. Our next meeting will be Tuesday, March 22, 2016.

Crime Update:

It's early in the 2016 year, but BTFV's (Burglary Theft From Vehicle) and GTA's (Grand Theft Auto) are the two hottest crimes in the Mission Hills Area in the first two months of the year. So please remember to lock all your vehicle doors and please do not leave anything in your vehicle of value in plain sight.

So please don't be a victim. Remember, personal responsibility is the best prevention to becoming a victim.

Upcoming Meetings

Mission Hills Community Meetings

19A43 Monthly Basic Car Meeting (Neighborhood Watch)

4th Tuesday of every month at 7:00 p.m.

Mission Area Community Police Station Community Room

Mission Hills Neighborhood Council – MHNC@verizon.net

1st Monday of every month at 6:45 P.M.

Mission Area Community Police Station Community Room

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Crime Trends/Statistics

Theft was the crime trend for this period. Our Basic car is up on property crime from Personal Theft, Burglary for Motor Vehicle and Burglary (Residential). Be aware of strangers walking through your neighborhoods. We have a lot of new homeless in the area and residents are reporting them stealing the recyclables on trash days. Just as a reminder, if anyone enters your property, without your permission, it is trespassing! It is against the law to take your recyclables, even if it is already on the street. These individuals taking the recyclables have also been seen going into unlocked parked vehicles. Please call it in!

Please be aware of your neighborhoods. Please report suspicious activity and suspicious people in your neighborhoods! Please call 877 ASK LAPD on the suspicious activity. If you see something, say something!

Please continue to call on the Prostitution activity! The motels are being checked daily and our Vice Officers are out there making great arrests!

The freeway and street homeless encampments have been a concern for the community. We need to report the encampments to your respective council districts. If you live south of Rayen St, you contact CD6 Nuri Martinez Office at (818) 771-0236. If you live north of Rayen St, you contact CD7 Felipe Fuentes Office at (818) 756-8409.

We are trying to improve North Hills Park. Please contact your local Council Office 6 at 818 771-0236 and let them know that park safety is a priority. We are trying to get the city to re-open youth programs at the park again! I need your voice!

Graffiti is a big problem in North Hills. If you see graffiti, please report it! The faster we can remove the graffiti, the more it will discourage other graffiti from going up. Please call Graffiti Busters at 311.

Trash is a problem. Please call 311 and report your bulky items, such as couches and furniture, for free pick-up. It keeps the neighborhood clean and a clean neighborhood is a safer neighborhood! Especially Apartment Managers! Please be good neighborhood leaders and lead by example. Keep your buildings and streets clean for your residents and especially the children.

Crime Update

Violent Crime (Aggravated Assaults) is up this period. Gang crime and gang activity complaints are also on the rise. Columbus Ave from Roscoe Blvd. to Nordhoff St. has been very active with property and violent crime. New Neighborhood Watches have been started and we need the communities help in reporting gang groups in public. As a reminder, there is a court Gang Injunction against the Columbus St gang. If you have specific information on the gang or specific complaints, please call our gang office at (818) 838-9810.

Crime Prevention Tip

Join Neighborhood Watch for 2016! If you are an Apartment Manager, please call me to schedule a Neighborhood Watch Meeting for your building.

There is no excuse for Domestic Violence! Please contact Mission Station for resources and advise if you are in an abusive relationship. We have a Domestic Violence class every Wednesday at 9 AM at the Methodist Church located at 15435 Rayen St. Please stop by and learn about the resources available to help you get out of an abusive and very dangerous relationship.

Attend Neighborhood Watch! It makes a difference when we all work together to prevent crime. Please make sure that your vehicles are locked when parked on the street. We still have residents leaving valuables inside their parked vehicles. Individuals are looking into parked cars and stealing your property. Don't make it easy or attractive for them to break into your cars!

Call 311 for pick-up of trash, furniture and debris on YOUR streets! Let's have a safe and clean Holiday season.

Report suspicious activity and call 1(877)-ASK-LAPD.

Remember there is no excuse for domestic violence. Talk to a friend, pastor, or your local support group for relationship problems prior to any violence. You can always call a domestic violence hotline for referrals and assistance 24 hours a day at 1-818-887-6589.

Upcoming Meetings

The next monthly Neighborhood Watch Meeting is scheduled for March 23, 2016 at 6:30 pm at the Denny's Restaurant located at 15540 Roscoe Bl. There is also a Spanish Neighborhood Watch meeting scheduled for March 9, 2016 at 6pm at the Methodist Church located at 15435 Rayen St. See you there!

Basic Car Area 19A85
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Hello, my name is Officer Antonio Martin, I would like to thank you for being involved in your community. The LAPD does a great job reducing crime, but it is with your help that we are able to accomplish what we have. I know I can count on you to help make Panorama City a safer place to live and work in by being aware of your surroundings. Please continue to be aware of what is happening around you, and who is on your block.

Crime Trends/Statistics

As of 02/27/16, our Basic Car is -7.7 % down in Part 1 crime. We have had 108 Part 1 crimes, year to date. In 2015, at this time, we had 117 Part 1 crimes. I am asking the community to continue to help us with locking up their valuables. One car break-in is one too many. Remember "Lock it Hide it Keep it!" We have seen a rise in Burglaries, so please make sure you secure your doors, windows, and please leave a porch light on during hours of darkness.

Crime Update

During the period of 01/24/16-02/20/16, there were (4) robberies, (2) Aggravated Assaults, (13) car break-in's/thefts (BTFV's), and (4) Grand Theft Autos, particularly Hondas. There were (17) Thefts reported, which include the Shoplifts at our local stores. Thefts are something that the community can help us prevent; one easy way is by simply not leaving your property unattended, or not leaving any valuables out in plain sight when you park your vehicle.

We continue to do foot beats at our shopping centers. This is another way that we are trying to reduce the number of thefts and stolen vehicles in this area. We will continue conducting our Panorama City Business watch meeting, in which we discuss Retail Theft and how the businesses can prevent and deter it. Please contact me for the next meeting date.

Crime Prevention Tips

Thieves often access apartment building parking lots through inoperable gates. Please ensure that all the gates in your complex are working. Magnetic locks are very difficult to break and will last much longer. Cameras are a great investment and have often assisted us in making arrests.

We see a lot of thefts near the Panorama Mall and Wal-Mart. Please keep an eye on your personal property so that it does not get stolen; do not turn your backs to it. I strongly recommend that you get involved in your local Neighborhood Watch. Please see the below list of meetings.

Another way to stay informed is by signing up for the Nixle service, Nextdoor, and Twitter. They are free and they help you receive critical information. Sign up at www.nixle.com and look for "LAPD Mission."

Upcoming meetings

Community/Neighborhood Watch Meetings for Basic Car 19A85

Safer Cities Area Enhancement Meeting

(Covers area between 405 Fwy/Roscoe/Van Nuys/Nordhoff St)

Held on a Quarterly basis-next meeting is TBA

Location: Plaza del Valle Community Room, 8700 Van Nuys Blvd Building G

*The Community Room is located east of the Wells Fargo Bank

Panorama City-West Neighborhood Watch Meeting

2nd Wednesday of every month – 7:00 PM

Mission Community Hospital, 14860 Roscoe Boulevard

Panorama City-Tyrone Ave Neighborhood Watch Meeting

4th Tuesday of every month, 7:00 PM

8600 Block of Tyrone Ave, exact location TBA

Parthenia Neighborhood Watch

14811 Parthenia St Neighborhood Watch meeting (In Courtyard)

2nd Tuesday of the month, 7 PM

Panorama City Business Watch

Plaza del Valle Community Room (8610 Van Nuys)

Every other month, next meeting TBA

Panorama City Neighborhood Council

4th Thursday of every month – 6:30 PM

Mission Community Hospital, 14860 Roscoe Boulevard

Community Police Advisory Board (CPAB)

3rd Wednesday of every month - 6:15 PM- Social/6:30 PM- meeting

Mission Community Police Station, Community Room

Basic Car 19A93 Panorama City (South of Roscoe Blvd)
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Welcome to the Newsletter for Basic Car 19A93 for March 2016

I would like to thank everyone for being involved and making your communities safer. Please invite your neighbors to attend the neighborhood watch meetings and become involved. Together we can make 2016 safer. Be safe and always be aware of your surroundings. **IF YOU SEE SOMETHING, SAY SOMETHING...**

Crime Trends

Thefts, Burglary from motor vehicles and Grand Theft Autos continue to be a problem. Please report any suspicious activity. The Mission Detectives are working hard to solve these crimes. If you have any information that could help us find these criminals, please contact the Detective front desk at 818-838-9810.

Burglary/Thefts from motor vehicles in most cases can be prevented. Don't leave your valuables in plain sight including documents with your information.

Inspect your credit report. Credit reports contain information about you, including what accounts you have and your bill paying history. The law requires the major nationwide consumer reporting companies (Equifax, Experian and Transunion) to give you a free copy of your credit report each year if you ask for it. Experts tell me to use a different company every 4 months, utilizing the free service three times a year. www.annualcreditreport.com or call 1-877-322-8228

As everyone knows, Mission has seen an influx of homeless encampments. Several organizations have offered outreach to the homeless. Some of the homeless refuse these services and choose to live in those conditions. Some these individuals contribute to the spike in crime in the area. Please notify myself or City Council if you see an encampment so we can address it as soon as possible.

At Home

- Make an inspection of your residence's exterior in the daytime and at night and note areas where someone can hide. Trim bushes and trees to remove hiding places and add exterior lighting.
- Lock your doors and windows and set your alarm every time you leave.
- Check to make sure the contents of your residence are not visible from outside.
- Put an interior light on a timer so your residence is not dark when you are out.
- Put a lock on your gate
- Remember to bring in your trash cans on trash days. Trash cans left outside tell burglars no one is home
- Secure your vehicles and do not leave anything in plain sight including documents.
LOCK IT, HIDE IT, KEEP IT.

Report suspicious activity in your neighborhood by calling the LAPD non-emergency number at 1-877-ASK-LAPD (1-877-275-5273). Please share this information with family and friends.

Upcoming Meetings

- March 01, 2016 @ 6:30 PM Kaiser Neighborhood Watch 13651 Willard St (Kaiser Hosp)
- March 09, 2016 @ 6:00 PM Marson Neighborhood Watch 14948 Marson St
- March 09, 2016 @ 5:30 PM Marson Park Neighborhood Watch (Spanish) Marson Park
- March 17, 2016 @ 6:15 PM Community Police Advisory Board (CPAB) at Mission Station Community Room
- March 24, 2016 @ 6:30 PM Panorama Neighborhood Council Meeting 14860 Roscoe Blvd (Mission Community Hospital)
- March 30, 2016 @ 5:30 PM Vecinos Meeting 14705 Blythe St
- March 18, 2016 4:30 PM-7:00 PM Skate Contest @ Cardenas Park 14740 Blythe St
- March 25, 2016 12:00 PM-2:00 PM Egg hunt @ Cardenas Park 14740 Blythe St

The LAPD continues to do our best to protect and serve the citizens of Los Angeles but we can use your help. Having a neighborhood watch could prevent crime from occurring in your area. Be a good neighbor. Call me for details.