

Basic Car 19A1 Sylmar (West of Glenoaks Blvd.)
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Welcome to the Newsletter for Basic Car 19A1 for August 2015.

Thank you for your diligence this summer in reporting Illegal Firework activity, Loud Parties and Illegal Food Vendors. With your help, the LAPD has issued numerous citations. Please continue to report illegal, dangerous & suspicious activity to the LAPD non emergency number: 1-877-275-5273 (1-877-ASK-LAPD).

Emergencies and immediate threat should be reported to 911

We are in a severe drought-fire season. With our extreme heat always use caution with open flame and pay close attention to conditions in your neighborhood. Refrain from using Barbeques, outdoor fire pits and 'Tiki Torches' during extreme heat, wind and red flag warnings. Properly clear brush around your home. Use caution with gas power tools. For additional safety information: www.fire.lacounty.gov, www.lafd.org

Open communication between residents and the LAPD is vital for our continued success. The most successful way to make this possible is through Community policing. Neighbors helping Neighbors, helping the LAPD to deter crime!

Be Active not re-active. Don't wait for crime to come into your neighborhood to get involved.

Neighborhood Watch- the most effective crime prevention programs in the country' bringing residents and law enforcement together, making your neighborhood safer.

The best crime fighting tool is a good neighbor. There can't be an officer in every neighborhood but a neighborhood of active and aware residents is possible.

A Neighborhood Watch group in your area is beneficial to you and your neighborhood. Summer is the perfect time to start a Neighborhood Watch. Give me a call and I will help you:

1. Arrange a meeting date
2. Create a flyer to pass around your neighborhood
3. Choose a location- if you know your neighbors well you can have it at your residence. If not there are public options available.

At meetings I will cover crime trends, issues and police activity specific to your area. You will get to know your neighbors and learn how to protect yourself and your property.

Including: educate yourself on what to watch for and ways to deter crime, how to identify & report a crime and ways to make your residence less attractive to burglars. .

In addition to NW we have the Sylmar Block Captains who keep up on current crime trends and quality of life issues in Sylmar and pass the information to their friends and neighbors. Everyone is welcome. Their meetings are the third Tuesday of the month, at Mission Community Police Station 11121 Sepulveda Bl. at 6:30 pm. Everyone is welcomed. You will receive current crime data.

The Community and the LAPD working together will reduce crime and improve the quality of life in your community

Crime Trends:

Property crime continues to be problem in our Basic Car. We have had 369 crimes year to date. Last year at this time we had 319 bringing us to a 15.7% increase in crime in the Basic Car, residential burglaries, grand theft auto, and burglary / theft from vehicle lead the property crimes. We have (1) homicides, (16) robberies and (33) assaults year to date bringing us to (16) violent crime above last year at this time.

We rely on the Community's support. Keep up the good work. Your assistance is a necessary element for our success to reduce crime.

Do not depend on your neighbors to call the police. Responsibility starts with YOU!

If you see criminal activity call (877) ASK-LAPD (1-877-275-5273). If you believe a crime is in progress immediately call 911.

Basic Car 19A7 Sylmar
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Remember, for City Resource assistance, call "311", or log on to www.cityofla.org.

Welcome to 19A7 basic car Newsletter for August 2015. Basic Car 19A7 area consists of the City of Sylmar (east of Glenoaks).

Hello everyone, this is Senior Lead Officer Alonso Menchaca for Basic Car Area 19A7 (Sylmar). I hope everyone is doing well. I also hope that you had a safe and enjoyable 4th of July holiday. I want to thank all the residents from the Sylmar Area that did their part and obeyed the firework laws and refrained from setting off any type of fireworks on the 4th of July. Unfortunately, as in years past, there were still too many residents that refused to obey the firework laws & continued setting off fireworks and creating a disturbance all throughout the Mission Division. For those that obeyed, thank you once again for respecting and not breaking the law. I appreciate it and I'm sure your neighbors do as well.

I want to say give a special "Thank You" to the Kut the Kaboom firework committee members who came together this 2015 year in an attempt to reduce the number of fireworks being set-off and causing a nuisance to the area. Thank you very much for your time and effort. It was a pleasure working with you on this issue.

If you have any questions or issues that I can assist you with, feel free to give me a call. Both phone numbers are listed above. If there is an actual emergency or a crime in progress, do not to call my office or cell phone numbers, Call 911. You can also call (877) ASK-LAPD / (877) 275-5273 (LAPD Dispatch Center) for non-emergencies.

Just a reminder to everyone, the telephone number to the Mission Station front desk is (818) 838-9800. You may call the station directly to speak with an on duty officer. The desk officer will be able to assist you with general information, telephonic crime reports, crime related advice, and quality of life concerns. Again, the Mission Area front desk telephone number is for general information only, please do not call for emergencies or for crimes in progress requiring immediate Police assistance.

The Sylmar Block Captains / Neighborhood Watch meetings take place on 3rd Tuesday of each month at Mission Community Police Station Community Room and begin promptly at 6:30 p.m. If you have any questions regarding joining or creating a neighborhood watch group in your area, please do not hesitate to contact me at (818) 838-9846. Our next meeting will be Tuesday, August 18, 2015.

Crime Update:

At the moment we are currently up in total crime from a year ago. We are at (+ 34.1 %) compared to last year. Last year in 2014, we had a total of 404 Part-1 crimes in the Sylmar Area. So far this year, we have had a total of 625 part-1 crimes. The hottest crimes at the moment are Grand Theft Auto (GTA). Most of the GTA have been occurring between the hours of 6 PM to 6 AM. Please remember to lock and secure your vehicles whether you're planning on being in the house for five minutes or 5 hours.

Upcoming Community/ Neighborhood Watch Events

The next (SNC) Sylmar Neighborhood Council Meeting will be August 27, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. This meeting takes place the fourth Thursday of every month. Only exception is a holiday. Please look up SNC on line for locations as it does move around.

One of my goals as a Senior Lead Officer is to get the community more involved in crime reduction. The community has the primary responsibility for fighting crime. Help stop crime before it occurs. The way you can do this is by becoming a member of Neighborhood Watch. A Neighborhood watch is a crime prevention program enlisting the active participation of residents in your apartment and on your street. Typically, active members of a Neighborhood Watch act as the "Eyes and Ears" of the community and keep in direct communication with the Senior Lead Officer for the neighborhood.

If you would like to become more involved in crime prevention in your community, please contact me at (818) 838-9846.

Basic Car Area 19A43 (Mission Hills Area)
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Hello from Officer Philip Ruiz:

Hello everyone, this is Senior Lead Officer Philip Ruiz for Basic Car Area 19A43 (Mission Hills). I hope everyone is doing well. I also hope that you had a safe and enjoyable 4th of July holiday. I want to thank all the residents from the Mission Hills Area that did their part and obeyed the firework laws and refrained from setting off any type of fireworks on the 4th of July. But unfortunately, as in years past, there were still too many residents that refused to obey the firework laws & continued setting off fireworks and creating a disturbance all throughout the Mission Hills Area. For those that obeyed, thank you once again for respecting and not breaking the law. I appreciate it and I'm sure your neighbors do as well.

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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. If you have any questions regarding joining or creating a neighborhood watch group in your area, please do not hesitate to contact me at (818) 838-9843. Our next meeting will be Tuesday, August 25, 2015.

Crime Update:

At the moment we are currently up in total crime from a year ago. We are at (+ 2.7 %) compared to last year. Last year in 2014, we had a total of 295 Part-1 crimes in the Mission Hills Area. So far this year, we have had a total of 303 part-1 crimes. The hottest crimes at the moment are Burglaries. Most of the burglaries have been occurring between the hours of 6 AM to 6 PM. Please remember to lock and secure your house or business whether you're planning on leaving the house for five minutes or 5 hours.

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:

BFMV and Burglaries have continued to increase in the area along the Van Nuys corridor and the neighborhoods to the east and west of the corridor. I have recently received reports of Burglaries where the victims have left their doors unlocked to their homes. This is one of those situations where the victims could have prevented this crime from occurring.

I am continuing to receive reports of BFMV's where the property taken out of the cars have been lap tops computers, tablets, and other expensive electronic devises. I have also been reading reports that residents have been leaving their windows down due to the heat. Many of these residents have become victims of theft from their motor vehicles. This is just another reminder to protect your personal information and your property. Please secure your vehicles. **DON'T BE A VICTIM OF THIS TYPE OF CRIME!**

Crime Updates:

On several occasions I have conducted foot beats in some apartment buildings along the Van Nuys Corridor. I have noticed in some of these buildings the front security door for the building were propped open allowing anyone access to the complex. In these same buildings I noticed that the front doors to some apartments were unlocked allowing someone to enter your actual unit. Please, don't be a victim and remember to secure your front door to your residence. Remind your neighbors to do the same.

Crime Prevention Tips:

Remember to lock your doors and windows, don't leave valuables in plain view, be aware of your surroundings, and report suspicious behavior. To report any suspicious activity call LAPD non-emergency number (877) ASK-LAPD or call 911.

Neighborhood Watch Meetings for Basic Car 19A75:

8400 Murietta Ave
Cancelled this month
Front yard

9618 Van Nuys Blvd
August 11, 2015 at 6:00 pm
The community room located at 9618 Van Nuys Blvd, first floor across from the manager's office.

8600 Hazeltine Ave at the Panorama Recreational Center.
August, 25 2015 at 7:00 pm
Front lawn

If you have any questions or you want to become more involved within your community please contacts me at (818) 838-9842.

Acting Senior Lead Officer Christina Caprioli
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Welcome to the Newsletter for Basic Car 19A79 for June 2015.

Crime Trends/Statistics

While 2015 crime has risen in the city Los Angeles, crime is down overall Year-to-Date in Mission Area and specifically in Arleta. Thanks so much for being a part of this! This allows us to focus on other quality-of-life issues in the Arleta area, such as parking, transients, illegal dumping, street vendors, loud parties and street racing.

Protect Yourself! Reminder: When conducting daily activities such as shopping, getting gas, or waiting at the bus stop remember to pay attention to your surroundings. I have met with a few individuals at the neighborhood watch meetings and have advised them that criminals look for individuals who are not paying attention to the area they are commuting to and from. Be mindful and remember you too can have an impact on the area you reside in!

BFMV's- I have spoken to some residents about the recent sightings of individuals riding bikes through certain areas at odd hours and looking into parked vehicles. If you happen to be awake and see any cyclists that appear to be casing or breaking into vehicles call the non-emergency number 1-877-ASK-LAPD. Do not confront them or try to follow them. You never know if these individuals have weapons.

Disaster Preparedness: With an increase in earthquakes all over California, make sure that you are preparing your house to withstand a natural disaster. Make sure you have at least 7 days of water, non-perishable foods, LED lighting, plastic bags, and a first aid kit.

Report! Report any suspicious activity you see! You can make a difference and help your community by calling 1 (877) ASK-LAPD. Share the info with friends and family. Working together to build safer communities.

Do something about illegal dumping by downloading the "MyLA311" app to your smartphone. Simple instructions allow you to report bulky items, the address they were abandoned at, and the app even allows you to snap a photo for Street Services to identify the object(s)! I have used this app and am very pleased with the results!

Neighborhood Watch Meetings for Basic Car 19A79:

13306 Branford Street
August 11, 2015 at 6:30 pm
Branford Park

13222 Debell Street
August 5, 2015 at 7:00 pm
9757 Beachy Avenue
August 18, 2015 at 6:30 pm

Arleta Neighborhood Council
9603 Gullo Avenue
August 20, 2015 at 7:00 pm

Neighbors in Action
14219 Gain Street
August 26, 2015 at 6:30 pm

13821 Osborne Street
Sept 1, 2015 at 6:30 pm
Liberty Temple Church

If you have any questions or you want to become more involved within your community please contacts me at (818) 838-9844.

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Welcome to the Newsletter for Basic Car 19A93 for June 2015.

Summer is in full swing, hot day and warm humid nights are here. Lots of people are having outdoor pool parties and barbecues. One important tip is always designating a responsible sober adult to monitor people in the pool. People, adults and children can easily slip underwater with lots of splashing and other water activities. The screams for help are never heard underwater. Be wise and pool safe.

Crime Trends

Grand Theft Auto is down 1.8%. If anyone has any information regarding the GTA suspects, please contact me as soon as possible. Most of the incidents involving Grand Theft Auto are taking place between 12:00 p.m. – 11:00 P.M. when most people are shopping at local retail stores. Please be mindful of this and properly secure your vehicles and if you see anything suspicious call 911.

From 06/28/2015 to 07/25/2015, the crime trends were property crimes. The area had 6 Burglaries, 6 Grand Theft Autos, 12 Thefts, and 14 Burglary for Motor Vehicle, 0 homicides, and 1 robbery crime incidents. 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/Theft from Motor Vehicle (BTFV) This crime in most cases is preventable, yet continues to be a serious problem. Don't leave your purse, cell phone or packages in your car, on the back seat or on the floor where potential thieves can see them.

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.

Reduce the amount of personal information available by limiting the number of pre-approved offers of credit that you receive. If thrown in the trash identity thieves can use them to open credit cards using your identity. To remove your name from the marketing lists:

(888) 5OPTOUT (888-567-8688)

At Home

- Make an inspection of your residence's exterior in the daytime and at night and note areas where someone could hide unseen. Trim bushes and trees to remove hiding places and add exterior lighting.
- Check to make sure the contents of your residence are not visible from outside.
- Lock your doors and windows and set your alarm every time you leave.
- 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.

Report suspicious vehicles and/or persons 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 Events and meetings:

National Night out is August 4, 2015. There will be an event at 8610 Van Nuys Blvd., Plaza Del Valle for all of Mission and those residents of Panorama City.

- The LAPD continues to do our best to protect & serve the citizens of Los Angeles but we cannot be everywhere at once. Having a Neighborhood Watch could prevent crime from occurring in your area. Be a good neighbor. Call me for details.