





WEST VALLEY NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH NEWS

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Log onto <u>www.lapdonline.org</u> today! You can view information on the crime in your neighborhood, get the monthly newsletter and sign up for e-policing, a real-time way to get information from LAPD to you!

Eyes In The Community

It is very important that everyone be vigilant to unusual activities or behavior in your neighborhood. Many of us are at work during the weekdays, but many are also at home. If you are one of those folks that are home during the weekdays, take a moment and look around. It may be out your front window, or on an afternoon walk. What you see or hear may save a neighbor or yourself from being a victim.

Everyone knows their neighbor's cars and who the regular visitors are to the neighborhood. When an unknown vehicle or person is seen in your neighborhood, take a second look at them. Write down the license plate and type of vehicle. Burglars usually spend time in a neighborhood weeks prior to committing their crimes. They are doing THEIR homework, noting who is home and who is not. They know what cars belong to you and your neighbors AND know the hours everyone keeps.

What you should NEVER do is confront a stranger in your neighborhood. You never know what the person may have on them.

So now you have some information. What do you do with it?

You can also call your local Senior Lead Officer at (818) 374-7630 and have them follow-up on your information. If you see someone going into backyards or "snooping around" you can call (877) ASK-LAPD and request a police car be sent. If you have information and want to be anonymous, you can Text Message by typing "LAPD" and your message to "CRIMES" (274637). This text message is encrypted, which masks the sender's identity before LAPD Crime Stoppers reads it. You can also send anonymous tips to www.lapdonline.org and go to the link for "anonymous web tips." It's YOUR community, so don't give the bad guys a break.

Know What's Going On In Your Area

There are several easy ways to get the latest crime information on your home or office computer. www.lapdonline.org has a link to "Crime Maps." You can type in your address and get the latest crimes in your area mapped out for you. You can also follow the link to "e-Policing." This will require you to submit your e-mail address. We will then be able to send you any community alerts, announcements, and even this newsletter. You can also contact the West Valley Senior Lead Office at (818) 374-7630 and talk to your Senior Lead Officer. They have the latest information on your community and can direct you to services and program that you may need.

Leave It, Lose It

Don't Leave Any Valuables Visible In Your Parked Vehicle







Crime Prevention Tips

- Lock your vehicle and close your windows
- Use steering column locks
- Use a vehicle alarm system
- Park your vehicle in a garage
- Park close to streetlights.
- Do not leave garage remotes in your vehicle
- Report suspicious activity to the police
- Check your vehicle periodically
- IPODS, LAPTOPS, GPS, AND CELL PHONES are Prime Targets

For more crime prevention information call LAPD-West Valley Area Senior Lead Office at (818) 374-7630

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Neighborhood Watch Meeting Schedule:

West Valley Area C-PAB Meeting

Wednesday, March 11, 2009 @ 7:00 pm 19020 Vanowen Street, Reseda (818) 374-7690

Reseda Neighborhood Watch Meeting

Thursday, March 12, 2009 @ 7:00 PM West Valley Station-Community Room 19020 Vanowen Street (818) 374-7631

Tarzana Neighborhood Watch Meeting

Tuesday March 17, 2009 @ 7:30 PM LAPD West Valley Station 19020 Vanowen Street, Reseda (818) 374-7632

Encino Neighborhood Watch Meetings

Dates and times vary.

Please contact SLO Rob Trulik for more information.

(818) 374-7637

Lake Balboa Neighborhood Watch Meetings

Dates and times vary. Please contact SLO David Ham or SLO Saul Paredes for more information. (818) 374-7634 or (818) 374-7635

All times and dates are subject to change. Please call the Senior Lead Officer to verify prior to attending.

JOIN THE WEST VALLEY AREA VOLUNTEER SURVEILLANCE TEAM

Are you interested in helping your community? Do you want to help the police catch "bad guys?" Then join the Volunteer Surveillance Team.

For more information, contact Officer Joe Breyer at (818) 756-3070

SASAVE THE DATE

The San Fernando Valley Faith

Coalition and The LAPD West Valley Area
invite you to participate in

THE WEST VALLEY AREA
HATE EDUCATION AND AWARENESS
SUMMIT

Thursday, March 26, 2009
7:00pm
at the

Sherman Oaks Center for Enriched Studies

18605 Erwin Street, Tarzana, CA 91335

For additional information, contact the West Valley's Community Relations Office at (818) 374-7690