



## **NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH NEWS**

*Have A Safe  
And Happy  
New Year*



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**Community awareness  
is the key to crime prevention. If you are  
interested in establishing a Block Club in your  
area, please contact your Senior Lead Officer  
for assistance.**



# REWARD

## \$50,000



### LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT

PUBLICATION OF THE ROBBERY-HOMICIDE DIVISION, SPECIAL ASSAULT SECTION, CRIME ANALYSIS DETAIL

## FOR INFORMATION REGARDING AN INDIVIDUAL RESPONSIBLE FOR A SERIES OF SEXUAL ASSAULTS

### SUSPECT INFORMATION:

**GENDER:** Male      **DESCENT:** Hispanic  
**HAIR:** Brown      **EYES:** Brown  
**HEIGHT:** 5'2"-5'6"      **WEIGHT:** 130-170 lbs.  
**CURRENT AGE:** 40-55 years old  
**ADDITIONAL:** Possible mustache and light complexion

**ODDITIES:** Tattoo of one or two teardrops under right or left eye. Teardrop tattoo(s) may have been removed.

**CLOTHING:** Dark hooded sweatshirt, green bandana, black baseball cap, or dark color beanie to cover head.

**WEAPONS:** Handgun or knife

### Suspect Composites



The City of Los Angeles is offering a reward for up to \$50,000 for information leading to the identity, arrest and prosecution of the person responsible for this series of sexual assaults.

Between 1996 and 2011, there have been twenty-five similar incidents of sexual assault in Los Angeles. These incidents have occurred in 77<sup>th</sup>, Southwest, Newton, Wilshire, Rampart, and Southeast Areas. It is believed that the same suspect is responsible for all of these incidents, as well as three additional incidents being handled by the Los Angeles Sheriff's Department. The suspect typically approaches women who are alone on their way to school or work or who are waiting at a bus stop, between the hours of 5:45 AM and 8:00 AM. The suspect converses with the victim and then threatens to kill the victim with a handgun or knife. The suspect forces the victim from the sidewalk to a secondary location, where he sexually assaults her.

Anyone with information concerning these crimes is asked to contact LAPD's RACR Division with the 24-hour, toll-free number at 877 LAPD 247 (877-527-3247). To send text tips, text the word TIPLA, a space, and then your message to CRIMES (274637). To send web tips, log onto [www.lapdonline.org](http://www.lapdonline.org) and click on "Anonymous Web Tips." Tips can be emailed to [rhd-sas@lapd.lacity.org](mailto:rhd-sas@lapd.lacity.org).

This investigation is filed under DR No. 96-0315096.

# **CRIME AND ARREST INFORMATION**

Officers in Southwest Division have been working extremely hard to reduce crime, provide a safe environment and a better quality of life for the residents and business owners of the Southwest Area.

## **3SLO1-ADAMS BOULEVARD NEIGHBORHOOD**

### **Crime Trends**

*\*\*Senior Lead Officer (SLO) Sanchez will be unavailable for a few weeks, however Senior Lead Officer Tracy Banuelos will be on hand to address to any questions or concerns from the Adams Boulevard Community. SLO Banuelos can be reached at (323) 387-9617.*

## **3SLO19-NORTH UNIVERSITY PARK**

### **Crime Trends**

Remember to “Lock it, Hide it, Keep It!”



Officer Brawner would like to remind the community to lock and secure your vehicles and do not leave anything valuable in plain view inside your vehicle. There have been reports of residential burglaries on the 2700 block of Ellendale during daytime hours. It is important to lock and secure your residence. Sometimes these crimes happen when people are at work or dropping off their children at school. Please remember to lock it, hide it, and keep it. Remind your neighbors to be on neighborhood watch and to call the police if they see anything suspicious.

Since the recent shooting at Sandy Hook Elementary School in Connecticut, Officer Brawner will be speaking regarding safety at the next parent meeting at Richard Merkin Middle School on January 16, 2013 at 5PM. Officer Brawner will be reaching out to all schools in her assigned area, so the LAPD-Southwest Division can be familiar with each school's safety program.

## **3SLO31-JEFFERSON PARK**

### **Crime Trends**

For the past several years the pedestrian walkway between Victoria Avenue and Crenshaw Boulevard, just south of the 10 Freeway has been an eyesore. A sizeable transient population has taken up residence on this gateway to the West Adams, Jefferson Park, Baldwin Hills and Leimert Park neighborhoods. Trash and discarded items pile up, makeshift housing has been constructed and sanitary conditions have deteriorated. Additionally, the incidents of illegal dumping, especially at the cul-de-sac on Victoria Avenue have increased exponentially. LAPD is committed to cleaning this area up and is continually engaging in enforcement activities. However we also realize that enforcement is only one part of the solution. Therefore, we have engaged other city entities, (Sanitation, Street Services and Lot Cleaning as well as Council District 10 who routinely assisted with cleaning up the walkway) and committed and compassionate community members who regularly and enthusiastically support our efforts. Additionally, we routinely engage multiple services geared toward transient individuals who are veterans, have mental illness and/or substance abuse challenges. Our hard work has not gone unnoticed. In November 2012 the City Council passed a motion to support the closing of the walkway. On December 5, 2012, a sub-committee voted to charge the Board of Engineering to study the feasibility of closing the walkway and two other ones in the area. During the next few months I will be communicating with the BoE and the aforementioned entities to abate this problem. I will keep you informed as new developments arise.

If you see graffiti or bulky items discarded, especially in alleys, contact 3-1-1 for removal. You'll be given a reference number. Keep this number handy as if the request is not completed in a timely manner, you can forward the location and reference number to me and I can follow-up with the appropriate city department.

### Crime Tips

Officer Biondo is interested in establishing new block clubs. If you are interested in starting a new block club or have a block club that has been on hiatus and wants to start up again, please contact Officer Biondo at (213) 847-5800.

If you have information on crime that is occurring in your neighborhood, you can contact the Southwest Division Crime Tip Line at (213) 485-7492.

LAPD now also accepts anonymous tips via cell phone. You can text your tip to CRIMES (274637). Begin your message with the letters, "LAPD."

**3SLO41-BALDWIN HILLS/VISTA;  
VILLAGE GREEN**

### Crime Trends

Year to Date violent crime is down 28%, and all Part I crime is down 24% within the basic car. (3A41) Property crime is down 4% during the same time period last year.

There has been an increase in Burglary from Motor Vehicles within the basic car area. Please take the few extra seconds to lock and secure your vehicle when you leave.

Southwest Division is still promoting the 'Lock it, Hide it, Keep it' campaign. Officer Beard is encouraging all community members to continue to lock their valuables either inside the trunk of their vehicle or remove them all together.

Officer Beard has received a few complaints about transients drinking in public and loitering at the bus stop located at La Brea/Rodeo.

Please contact Officer Beard at 323-387-9621 if you have any further information about this complaint.

Visit [www.crimemapping.com](http://www.crimemapping.com) for crime that has taken place in your community.

### Crime Tips

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## **Helpful Numbers At A Glance**

**Graffiti Removal:  
(311)**

**Abandoned Vehicles:  
(800/222-6366)**

**Bulky Item Trash Pick Up (Illegally  
Dumped Trash):  
(800/773-2489)**

**Department of Health:  
(213/351-5110)**

**Citywide information:  
(311)**

### 3SLO55-WESTERN CORRIDOR; JEFFERSON PARK

#### Crime Trends

Basic car area 3A55 has seen a current trend of bicycle thefts at Bethune Library 39<sup>th</sup> St and Western Ave. Community members are also reminded to be aware of their surrounding at bus stops.

#### Crime Tips

Following the holiday season remember that packaging left at the curb of your home for trash pick-up is a clue to the criminal element of any items that may be inside your home. Break down packaging and/or wrapping and place it inside the recycle container so that it is not visible to anyone outside of your home.

Listed below are some helpful phone numbers:

- Graffiti Removal (311)
- Abandoned Vehicles: 800-222-6366
- Bulky Item Trash Pick Up (Illegally Dumped Trash): 800-773-2489
- Department of Health: 213-351-5110
- Citywide information: 311

Come join the Community Village Project. Be the change in your neighborhood. Create a safe park for our children to play. Clean up and take pride in our neighborhood. Make our community healthier and safer by removing harmful and irresponsible businesses. For more information call Karume at 323 750-9087 x263.

### 3SLO59-THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

#### Crime Trends

Officer Garner would like to remind the USC students not to leave any personal items unattended while visiting the book store, Lyons Center, and Leavey Library. Also, if you live on campus remember to lock your dorm room. There have been reports of students leaving their dorm rooms unsecured and lap tops, iPods, and iPhones are being stolen. Don't be a victim. Remind other students to secure their dorm rooms and please report any suspicious activity to USC Public Safety 213-740-6000.

This year 40 families in the USC Safety Zone were selected to receive Holiday baskets from LAPD-Southwest Division. This would not have been possible without the USC Fraternities/Sororities, Business Improvement District, CDI Management and other private donors along with Southwest officers that donated money to bring smiles to families this holiday season. Thank you to all those who donated, it would not have not been possible without you.....Thank you!!!!

#### **Did You Know?????**

**USC has purchased laptop security software for students and staff. Please contact USC Department of Public Safety for more information regarding this application at - [www.Capsnet.usc.edu/dps/](http://www.Capsnet.usc.edu/dps/)**



**USC students and community are urged to register for: Trojan alert notification.**

### 3SLO63-BALDWIN VILLAGE

#### Crime Tips

Senior Lead Officer Saldana wants to thank everyone for a very successful year. Without the community's help Senior Lead Officer Saldana could not have facilitated the decrease in crime in the Baldwin Village area. Senior Lead Officer Saldana encourages everyone to call and report any illegal activity in the area. 2013 will be a challenging year as we attempt to decrease crime to record lows. Senior Lead Officer Saldana will need your continued support in order to make Baldwin Village a much safer place to live.

### 3SLO73-LEIMERT PARK; CRENSHAW CORRIDOR

#### Crime Trends

Over the past several months, we have been working hard to address the concerns regarding the homeless in the area. We have continued to reach out to the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA) and various other groups for outreach and to offer assistance.

#### Neighborhood Watch News

In response to several concerns with regards to activity along Crenshaw Blvd, Business Watches have been organized by the Senior Lead Officers to provide Business and Property Owners with information and resources to address these issues. Residents are encouraged to join their local neighborhood watch or block clubs as they provide a good resource for information on activity in your neighborhood. For information on existing block clubs, or information on how you can start your own, please contact SLO Sasajima at 213-847-5800.

The LAPD is also accepting anonymous tips via cell phone. You can text your tip to CRIMES (274637). Begin your message with the letters, "LAPD."

#### Crime Tips-Reporting a Crime by Text

If you have a crime you would like to report anonymously you can now text the letters LAPD plus your tip to #274637. You can also call 877-LAPD-24-7.



### **Have you heard about the Southwest Teen Community Police Advisory Board (C-PAB)?**

The Los Angeles Police Department Southwest Area Teen Community-Police Advisory Board (Teen C-PAB) was established as a forum for area youth to advise and discuss public safety issues with the Commanding Officer and community police officers of the Southwest Area. Teen C-PAB focuses on quality of life issues and concerns from the perspectives of the youth in our community.

The members meet monthly and participate in special events and projects including community service clean-ups, holiday toy give-aways, potlucks, city-wide benefit walks and field trips.

Meetings are held at Southwest Area on the last Thursday of each month, at 1:30 P.M. ***The next meeting will be held on January 24, 2013.*** Please contact Ofcr. Paul Evleth or Management Analyst II Denise K. Smith at (213) 847-5800 for further details about Teen C-PAB.

## **UPCOMING COMMUNITY AND NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH EVENTS**

The Wisconsin Street Block Club meets the second Tuesday of every month at 6:00 pm and the University Gardens Block Club meets the third Wednesday of every month at 6:00 pm. For additional information, contact SLO Salazar at (323) 387-9617.

The next Southwest Community Police Advisory Board meeting will be held on Monday, February 4, 2013, at 6:30 pm, the location to be determined. For additional information, contact Police Service Representative II Toni Rodgers at (213) 847-5800.

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Martin Luther King Recreation Center has a full list of programs open to the community. Some are free and some have a small fee. Contact recreation director Cassandra Reyes for more programs and fees information (213) 847-0878. For information and exact times on all upcoming events contact Senior Lead Officer Olega at 323 387-9619.

Senior Lead Officer Saldana recently attended the first West Blvd Block Club meeting. If you live on West Boulevard between Santo Tomas and Santa Rosalia and want to be a part of the block club, please contact Senior Lead Officer Saldana at (323) 387-9614.

## **THE ANNUAL KINGDOM DAY PARADE – SATURDAY - 01/19/13**

This year the parade will take place on SATURDAY, JANUARY 19, 2013, the Saturday BEFORE the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday.

The parade will start at Western and MLK Boulevard at 10:15 A.M, will travel to Crenshaw Boulevard and continue south on Crenshaw to Leimert Park where the Gospel Fest will take place from 2:00 to 5:00 P.M.



The Wisconsin Street Block Club meets the second Tuesday of every month at 6:00 pm. The University Gardens Block Club meets the third Wednesday of every month at 6:00 pm. For boundaries of these block clubs please call Senior Lead Officer Salazar 323-387-9617.

## **Farmers Market**

The Baldwin Hills Crenshaw Plaza proudly welcomes the Crenshaw Farmers Market. The Farmers Market will be held in the parking lot near Stocker and Santa Rosalia from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. every Saturday.

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**You can prevent Burglary from Motor Vehicle and Vehicle theft!  
Most cars are taken by amateurs who can be stopped fairly easily.**

**You can increase your protection against this type of crime  
by taking the following sensible precautions:**



**The message is simple:**

### **Lock It:**

**Lock your vehicle every time you leave it unattended  
and always lock your valuables in the trunk.**

### **Hide It:**

**If you don't have a trunk, hide valuables under the seats,  
in the glove box, or other compartments within the vehicle.**

### **Keep It:**

**Personal responsibility is the best prevention to safeguard  
personal property and to prevent becoming a victim.**

**No Se Conviertan en una Victima de un Crimen  
de Automoviles Relacionado con Propiedad**



**El mensaje es simple:**

**Pongale llave!**

Un recordatorio de que siempre se debe ponerie llave al vehiculo.

**Escondanlos!!**

Si tienen que dejar sus objetos de valor en su vehiculo,  
encondanlos de la vista de otros.

**Mantenganlos!!!**

Un recordatorio positivo de que responsabilidad personal y  
prevencion los pueden proteger contra el robo.

# LAPD Youth Landscaping Team



LAPD Southwest Area is seeking 5-17 year old students to help maintain the front planting area of the police station.

Students will Receive Credit for Community Service Hours

## Wednesday afternoons at 3:30pm

Sign up today at Southwest Area Community Relations Office

Los Angeles Police Department  
Southwest Area Community Relations Office  
1546 W. Martin Luther King Jr Blvd - Los Angeles, CA 90062  
(213) 847-5800 tel