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The Huntington Beach Neighborhood Watch Program (HBNW) fiscal year is from July 1 to June 30 each year. We have estimated we will need approximately \$24,300 this year to cover the various HBNW program expenses which include, but are not limited to, newsletter assembly, distribution costs, returned postage, mailing labels, etc. From the start of our fiscal year to now, we have received **\$7,659.31 in donations and newsletter advertisements— we have \$16,640.69 to go by June 30, 2015.** The HBNW Board thanks you and our advertisers for your support and generous donations. An \$8 donation pays for each subscriber's distribution costs; a \$10 donation helps with these costs and other needed expenses and puts your name in the Newsletter as a contributor; and a \$25 or more donation accomplishes the above, plus you will receive a HBNW sticker and a token of appreciation. Remember, HBNW is a non-profit organization; **donations are tax deductible.**

As a resident of the city, we encourage you to review the HBNW program budget and expenses.

We strongly suggest you sign up to receive your Newsletter either **electronically** or through the mail. The Newsletter has valuable crime prevention information and crime statistics. Donations are not necessary to receive the Newsletter, but if you wish to make a donation, please make your check payable to:

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**Safety Tips  
For the  
Holidays**



The Huntington Beach Police Department would like you to have a safe and happy holiday season. HBPD wants to share some safety reminders with you and hope you will share them with your family and friends.

Don't give a criminal the opportunity to enjoy the holidays with your gifts and money. If we all take steps to look out for our neighbors, report all suspicious activity, and practice some of the following safety tips we will all have a happy, joyous and peaceful holiday season.

**When shopping and out:**

- ✓ Remember the buddy system when possible. Shop with a family member or friend.
- ✓ Park in well lighted areas, and try to avoid parking next to a van.
- ✓ Be **alert** and **aware**. Be attentive to your surroundings at all times.
- ✓ Do not leave items inside your car such as your GPS holder, or cell phone. If you need to leave items in your car try locking them in trunk before your arrive at your destination.
- ✓ Scan the area from your car looking for persons acting suspicious.
- ✓ Trust your instincts if you feel uncomfortable follow your gut feeling and park somewhere else, report what you observe to security or the police.
- ✓ Never hide a spare key on your car. If you need spare keys, keep them in your wallet or purse.

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# Safety Tips for the Holidays

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- ✓ When walking in any parking lot, grocery store, airport, shopping center, etc., walk confidently with your head up, make eye contact, and have your keys ready.
- ✓ Women, try not to carry a purse. If you must carry a purse, only carry items that are necessary, and try to keep credit cards and cash on you and not in your purse. Only carry the credit cards you plan on using and keep your purse close to your body and zipped closed.
- ✓ Men, do not put your wallets in your back pocket; this only makes it easier for a pickpocket to take it from you. Keep your wallet in a front pocket, and do not flash your cash.
- ✓ Don't overburden yourself with packages.
- ✓ Teach your children where they can go for assistance in case they are lost or you need assistance. Point out people that can help; the person working behind the cash register, security guards, etc. Next time you go shopping play "who can help you" and have your child point out whom or what can help them.

## Holiday Safety Reminders:

- ✓ Be alert and aware at all times.
- ✓ If something happens, get a good description of the suspect, anyone with the suspect, and if possible the suspect vehicle as well as the license plate number.
- ✓ If you're waiting for a ride from a friend or public transportation, do so in a busy, well lit area.
- ✓ Lock the car and close the window, even if you are only gone for a few minutes:
  - Loose change is a meal for a street person; they may break your window for small change.
  - Your cell phone can be sold and reprogrammed and is a sought after item of theft.
  - A laptop computer will keep a drug user in a high state at your expense.
- ✓ If it is late, ask someone from security to walk you to your vehicle. Most malls provide this service.
- ✓ Remember, don't drink and drive. **Have a designated driver.**
- ✓ If you are hosting a party be sure to serve non-alcoholic drinks, have plenty of solid food for people, and never let anyone drive if you believe they are intoxicated. Make arrangements for alternative transportation.
- ✓ Remember to always buckle up!
- ✓ Recognize that the holidays can cause more stress. Keep emotions under control especially while driving. Give other drivers plenty of space and always leave yourself a route to avoid an accident. Avoid road rage.

This might be a good time to talk to your neighbors about hosting a Neighborhood Watch meeting. You can call the Huntington Beach Police Department Community Relations Specialist, Nilda Patiño de Berndt, at (714) 536-5933 to schedule a date and time.

On behalf of your Huntington Beach Neighborhood Watch Board Members, the Newsletter Assembly Crew, and the HBPD Community Relations Specialist, we want to wish you and your family a safe and very Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah, Happy Kwanzaa, and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.



## Celebrate Responsibly!

The holidays are right around the corner and it's all about family, friends, fun, and food. Whether you are hosting a big family party or a small dinner for two, enjoying the holidays **responsibly** should always be on the top of everyone's list. If you plan on drinking alcohol, here are some tips that will help make your holidays enjoyable and safe.

**Kick off the holidays with food!** Serve a variety of dishes, especially ones high in protein. Tasty foods will keep your guests happy, but also in control: eating before and while you drink slows down the effects of alcohol. Try including these foods at your next gathering: cheese and meat trays, turkey, ham, chicken, chips and bean dip, cheese and broccoli soup, and apple pie.

**Monitor and limit alcohol:** Having a table full of alcohol can be a recipe for disaster. Minors can get their hands on unattended alcohol, and in Huntington Beach, you can be fined up to \$750 if a minor is being served, is in possession of, or is drinking alcohol in your home. Instead, have a friend or family member monitor the alcohol for the night.

**End the party safely:** Even if you are the host of the party, know your limits and be aware of what's happening around you. Make sure your guests get home safely by offering a taxi or car service, designating a sober driver, or by suggesting they stay the night.

For more information, please contact Jordan Hua, Health Educator, at [jhua@cspinc.org](mailto:jhua@cspinc.org).



This year marks the 22<sup>nd</sup> anniversary of the Firefighters' Spark of Love campaign which runs through December 24. All Orange County fire stations and the **Huntington Beach Police Department** will serve as drop-off sites for new, unwrapped toys or sports equipment. Gift cards will also be accepted.

In Orange County, Spark of Love combines efforts with the U.S Marine Corps Toys for Tots program, Social Services Agency's Operation Santa Claus, and the Society of St. Vincent de Paul Holiday Charities program. Working together as the Orange County Toy Collaborative, these agencies collect and distribute approximately 300,000 toys annually to **Orange County children who may otherwise go without during the holiday season.**

**RESIDENTIAL BURGLARIES, VEHICLE BURGLARIES, GRAND THEFT AUTO**

The police patrol areas are the north and south. The patrol beats are 2-9. Your RD (Reporting District) is the half-mile square surrounding your home.

To locate your Beat and RD, please check the map on the back inside page. In most cases, your BEAT/RD is identified on your address mailing label.

**RESIDENTIAL BURGLARIES**

36 reported 10/16/14 – 11/13/14

39 reported 09/16/14 – 10/15/14

Eleven of the entries were due to **OPEN OR UNLOCKED** windows or doors. Seven of these burglaries were committed during the day; nine were committed at night, and twenty at an unknown time.

There were six garage entries.

There were no storage shed entries.

There were two attempted entries.

**VEHICLE BURGLARIES**

35 reported 10/16/14 – 11/13/14

39 reported 09/16/14 – 10/15/14

**GRAND THEFT AUTO**

37 reported 10/16/14 – 11/13/14

31 reported 09/16/14 – 10/15/14

**BEAT 2**

2 Residential Burglaries  
0 Vehicle Burglaries  
4 Grand Theft Auto

**Residential Burglaries**

RD 452-1 RD 463-1

Streets: Alabama St. and Wildwood Cir.

In RD 452 Alabama St, the suspect partially removed the screen to the window and reached inside to unlock the door and make entry.

**Vehicle Burglaries**

None reported

**Grand Theft Auto**

RD 452-1 RD 453-1  
RD 456-1 RD 486-1

**BEAT 3**

10 Residential Burglaries  
12 Vehicle Burglaries  
4 Grand Theft Auto

**Residential Burglaries**

RD 423-1 RD 424-2  
RD 425-1 RD 435-1  
RD 436-1 RD 439-1  
RD 442-1 RD 446-1  
RD 447-1

Streets: Yorktown Ave., Naples Dr., Yacht Ln., Velardo Dr., Telhan Dr., Salt Lake Dr., Providence Ln., Alabama St., and Big Bend Ln.

In RD 424, Yacht Ln, it appears suspect(s) entered the residence through a rear sliding glass door.

In RD 436, Telhan Dr., it appears the suspect(s) entered through the office dog door and exited the office door through the back yard and out the west gate of the back yard.

In RD 439, Salt Lake Dr., it appears the suspect(s) had attempted to pry one of the north facing kitchen windows open after removing the screen, but was unable to enter. The suspect(s) was able to enter the residence through the sliding glass door after prying the door from the door lock. After going through the residence the suspect(s) exited through the front door.

In RD 442, Alabama St., unknown suspect(s) enter unlocked garage, steal property and flee.

In RD 447, Jon Day Dr., suspect(s) enter open garage, enter unlocked vehicle in garage, removes items, and flees.

There were two garage entries.

**Vehicle Burglaries**

RD 427-2 RD 433-1  
RD 436-1 RD 442-7  
RD 443-1

**Grand Theft Auto**

RD 434-1 RD 436-1  
RD 437-1 RD 442-1

**BEAT 4**

3 Residential Burglaries  
3 Vehicle Burglaries  
8 Grand Theft Auto

**Residential Burglaries**

RD 349-1 RD 359-1  
RD 431-1

Streets: 17<sup>th</sup> St., 10<sup>th</sup> St., and Veering Cir.

In RD 359, 10<sup>th</sup> St., it appears the door was kicked but entry was not made.

In RD 431, Veering Cir., suspect entered the residence through the kitchen window.

There was one attempted entry.

**Vehicle Burglaries**

RD 338-1 RD 349-1  
RD 432-1

**Grand Theft Auto**

RD 329-2 RD 349-2  
RD 359-1 RD 451-3

**BEAT 5**

2 Residential Burglaries  
4 Vehicle Burglaries  
3 Grand Theft Auto

**Residential Burglaries**

RD 293-1 RD 422-1

Streets: Forelle Dr. and Yorktown Ave.

In RD 293, Forelle Dr., it appears suspect(s) tried to pry the door open. Victim believes suspect(s) was unsuccessful due to the deadbolt lock.

In RD 422, Yorktown Ave., suspect is possibly known.

There was one attempted entry.

**Vehicle Burglaries**

RD 292-1 RD 319-1  
RD 412-1 RD 422-1

**Grand Theft Auto**

RD 319-1 RD 412-1  
RD 413-1

**BEAT 6**

1 Residential Burglary  
3 Vehicle Burglaries  
3 Grand Theft Auto

**Residential Burglaries**

RD 272-1

Streets: Elm Ln.

In RD 272, Elm Ln., unknown suspect(s) enter unlocked garage and unlocked vehicle parked inside.

**Vehicle Burglaries**

RD 272-1 RD 283-2

**Grand Theft Auto**

RD 264-1 RD 272-2

**RESIDENTIAL BURGLARIES, VEHICLE BURGLARIES, GRAND THEFT AUTO****BEAT 7**

**8 Residential Burglaries**  
**4 Vehicle Burglaries**  
**5 Grand Theft Auto**

**Residential Burglaries**

**RD 163-1 RD 169-1**  
**RD 178-1 RD 179-2**  
**RD 189-1 RD 262-2**

Streets: Heil Ave., Simonne Ln., Erwin Ln., Golden View Ln., Warner Ave., Via Angelina Dr., and Viewpoint Ln.

In RD 163, Heil Ave., it appears a 6 foot blue fiberglass step ladder, which was left laying on its side below the bedroom window, was used by the suspect(s) to reach the bedroom window located on the second floor of the residence.

In RD 169, Simonne Ln., it appears the unknown suspect entered the residence through an unlocked rear sliding door.

In RD 178, Erwin Ln., suspect(s) entered via an open garage.

In RD 179, Warner Ave., the unknown suspect(s) made entry into the victim's apartment by using the unlocked front door and took property.

In RD 189, Via Angelina Dr., it appears an unknown suspect(s) entered the unlocked garage door to gain entry. The suspect(s) then used an unknown type pry tool to open another door that led into the residence.

There were four garage entries.

**Vehicle Burglaries**

**RD 169-1 RD 187-1**  
**RD 252-1 RD 262-1**

**Grand Theft Auto**

**RD 159-1 RD 251-1**  
**RD 253-2 RD 262-1**

**BEAT 8**

**5 Residential Burglaries**  
**9 Vehicle Burglaries**  
**2 Grand Theft Auto**

**Residential Burglaries**

**RD 153-2 RD 158-1**  
**RD 175-1 RD 177-1**

Streets: Venture Dr., Pirate Cir., Brimhall Ln., Curtis Cir., and Norcon Cir.

**Vehicle Burglaries**

**RD 155-2 RD 157-1**  
**RD 165-2 RD 177-4**

**Grand Theft Auto**

**RD 152-1 RD 155-1**

**BEAT 9**

**5 Residential Burglaries**  
**0 Vehicle Burglaries**  
**8 Grand Theft Auto**

**Residential Burglaries**

**RD 128-1 RD 138-2**  
**RD 139-1 RD 149-1**

Streets: Quill Cir., Bayside Ln., Citadel Dr., Salisbury Ln., and Sunflower Ln.

In RD 138, Citadel Dr., a suspect is in custody.

**Vehicle Burglaries**

**None reported**

**Grand Theft Auto**

**RD 139-1 RD 148-1**  
**RD 241-4 RD 242-2**

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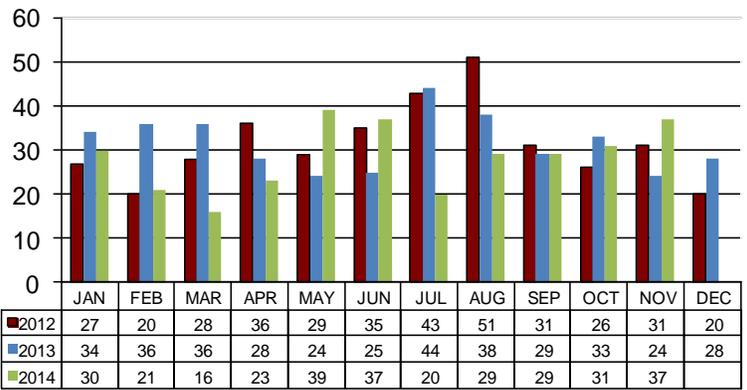
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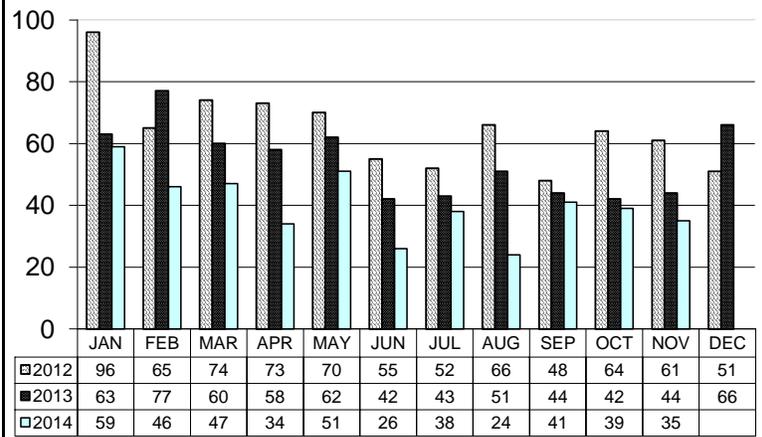
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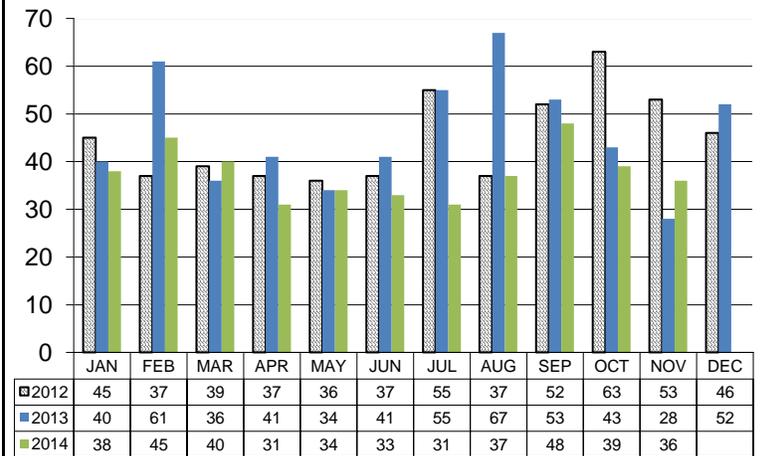
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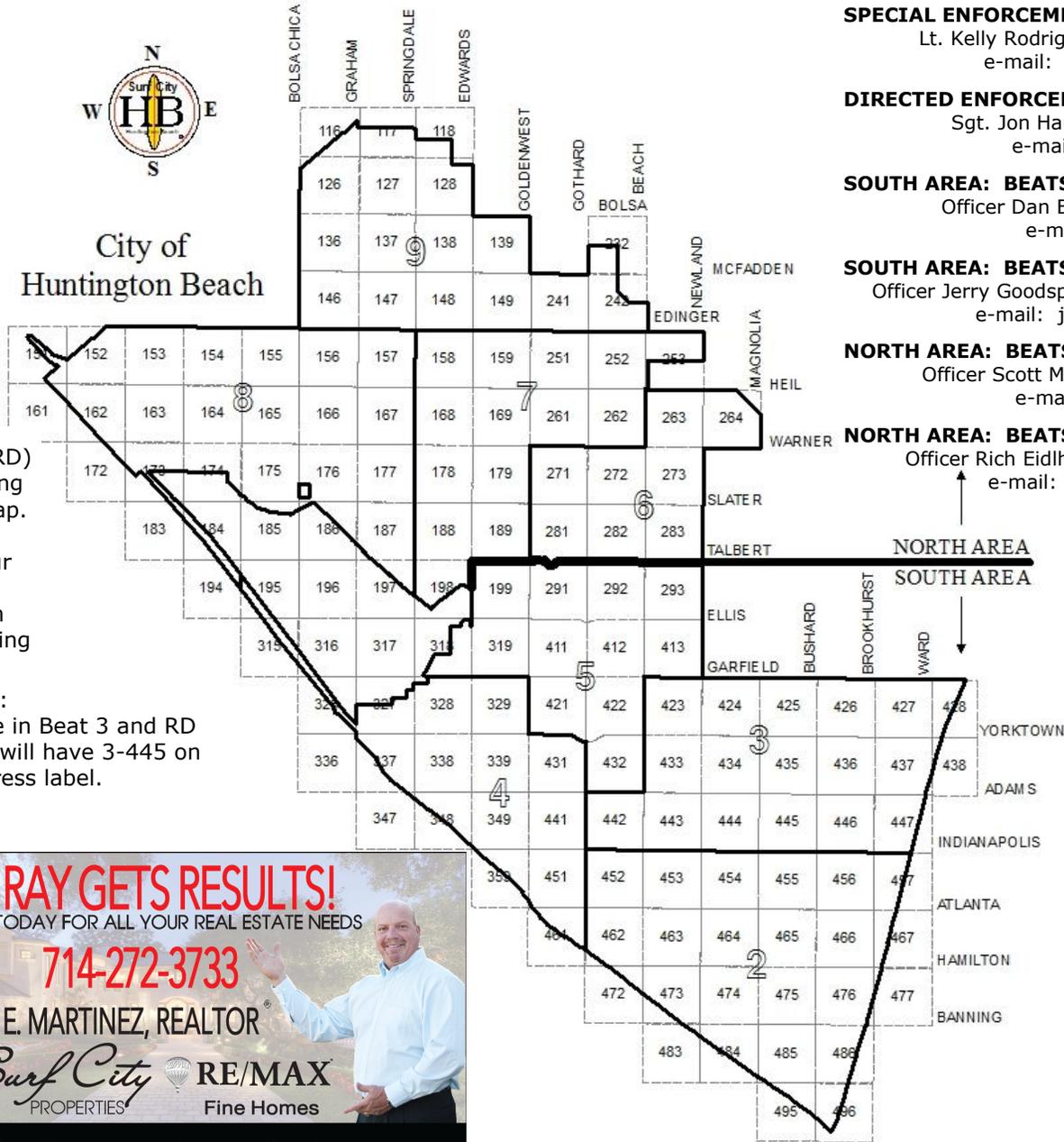
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