



## **ANDREWS INTERNATIONAL** **HOLLYWOOD/SUNSET BID PATROL**

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### **SUMMARY FOR 4-7-14 THROUGH 5-4-14:**

This report takes us through week 18 of 2014. We continue to see patterns emerge as we add more data. Arrests are up by 85 over this time last year. Arrests for drinking in public are up by 100. We have strived to increase our high visibility patrols. They are up by 161 with an addition of 386 hours of bike and foot patrol. Citizen contacts are up by 306 and business checks are up by a staggering 6102 over last year's totals. A very interesting statistic is that calls for service have actually declined by 157. We view this as a positive sign and will monitor.

### **EVENTS OF INTEREST:**

On 4-8-14, we received a complaint of people loitering in the 1700 block of Whitley. We found several men sitting in and around a red SUV which was parked near the Motel 6. Our Bike Team contacted the DOT who advised that it is registered in San Diego. Our Officers also contacted the LAPD Bike Team and they were aware of the situation and were actively working on it. They said they contacted the group and arrested one for a warrant. They will provide extra patrol as will we.



On 4-9-14, our Officers were patrolling in the 1700 block of Whitley when they saw 15 males hanging around the red SUV. The group dispersed as our Officers monitored them. There certainly appears to be some type of suspicious activity here and we thank John Tronson and Kerry Morrison's office for bringing it to our attention. We found as many as 15 to 20 people hanging around the red vehicle. The car was moved from the street and into the parking lot at 6565 Hollywood (United Valet Parking). We contacted Manager Roberto and he asked the owner of the car to leave the lot. He said he will not let them return.

During the week of 4-21-14, we continued to see the group hanging out in the area, although we have not seen the red car. We are trying to determine what this group is up to. We have shared this information with the LAPD Bike Team.

We have received numerous complaints of transients hanging out, smoking marijuana, drinking etc. in the Spice alley to the rear of the 1600 block of Cahuenga. We have spent



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a great amount of time patrolling this area. We found that a major issue is people charging their cell phones from outlets in the alley. We have advised the businesses there of this issue.

On 4-9-14, Officers Watkins and Sewell spoke with Johnny who said he is opening a new Club in May. He instructed his electrician to cut the power to the outlet. We believe that this will be a great help in regaining control of the location.

On 4-17-14, our Bike Team responded to a radio call of 4 people giving themselves haircuts in the Spice Alley off Cahuenga. They were plugging their clippers into electrical outlets in the alley and their airborne shorn hair was blowing into a nearby restaurant. We convinced the amateur barbers to go elsewhere. The Officers spoke to Manager Josh about cutting power to these outlets.



Alley Outlets

On 4-12-14, we received a radio call from Zara at 6902 Hollywood Blvd. Employee Toby said that he had been hit on the arm by a CD Vender (M/B, 5'8", camouflage hat, gray shirt and black pants). The CD Vender threatened to kill him and to stab him with a knife. Toby said he was in fear for his life. We could not find the suspect who had fled the scene. This is the usual method used by these Venders after they attack on the Blvd. We waited with Toby until the LAPD arrived. We will attempt to identify the suspect.

On 4-20-14, we responded to a call of a business dispute between tour guides at 6758 Hollywood Blvd. Omar and his staff were belligerent towards our Officers and started filming us. He was warned that his signs were blocking the sidewalk. He then accused our Officers of being racist. We referred this incident to the Bureau of Street Services for follow-up.



Annoying Omar



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On 4-17-14, our Officers found Jeremiah setting up camp at Hollywood and La Brea. He was convinced to find a better location. Without constant diligence, the Hollywood sidewalks would soon resemble a huge campsite.



Jeremiah Sent Packing

On 4-19-14, Officers Gordon and Kanagi spoke to 5 people who were camped at the Car Wash located at 6200 Sunset. We have had numerous complaints about this group as they block Access to the business and steal water and electricity. Two of the group, Lindsay and Chad, had been warned the previous week. They were placed under arrest for Trespass. They were also given information regarding getting into a shelter.



Trespassers Lindsay and Chad

On 4-17-14, we received a call of a man sleeping in front of the Sunset Gower Studios. Upon arrival we found a very comfortable Yayco. He agreed to move elsewhere. Again, without constant diligence, we would be finding people in various states of repose throughout the BID.





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On 4-22-14, our Officers were flagged down by Emily at 6100 Sunset. She works at the Starbucks at La Brea and Sunset. She said that friends of hers that work at Starbucks in the BID were very happy with the BID Patrol rapid response and problem solving ability.

On 4-25-14, Bill Farrar, Mike Harkins and I attended a memorial service at the LAPD Hollywood Station for fallen Officer Lee. A star was placed on the sidewalk in front of the station. Most of the on-duty BID Patrol Officers were also on hand. A check was presented to the family from the Choir Boys which is a motorcycle club made of current and former Police Officers. Several of our Officers are members and are pictured below.



Choir Boys

On 4-29-14, we assisted LAPD Officer Jordan in addressing a large homeless encampment located in the 6200 block of Leland Way. Our morning team has been working with this Officer on a daily basis and he told Captain Zarcone that he was very grateful for the assistance during the last Crime Control Meeting.

On 4-30-14, our Bike Team was flagged down at 6776 Hollywood Blvd. A tourist said that a Spiderman character lifted up the dress of his 15 year old daughter using a stick. Her underwear was exposed. Our Officers asked that man to identify the suspect so that we could arrest him. The man refused to prosecute. We passed on the information to the LAPD.

On 5-2-14, the 'Obama' character from the Blvd. came to our office. His name is Ilia. He was issued a stay away order as he pushed LAPD Officers when they placed him under arrest. He was hoping that our Officers would sign a petition saying that he should be allowed on the Blvd. He stayed outside our office for several hours. We called the LAPD as he was in violation of the restraining order. They responded and placed him under arrest.

### **Keeping Sidewalks Clear:**

On 4-29-14, our Bike Team spoke to a group blocking the sidewalk on Vine near El Centro and convinced them to move on. Without constant diligence on our part, the sidewalks would soon be impassable.



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On 5-2-14, our Officers Kanagi and Gordon spoke to a group of homeless people trespassing at the Chase Bank located at 1500 Vine. They unhappily left, but they did leave.



On 5-4-14, our Officers found Glenn and his pal setting up camp at the Social Security building. They agreed to relocate.



### **MEETINGS ATTENDED:**

- 1) 4-8-14 LAPD Crime Control Meeting
- 2) 4-8-14 HHOT Outreach Meeting
- 3) 4-10-14 BID Joint Security Meeting
- 4) 4-14-14 Alcohol Issues Meeting
- 5) 4-15-14 LAPD Crime Control Meeting
- 6) 4-17-14 H+H Retail Meeting
- 7) 4-21-14 LAPD Taser Meeting
- 8) 4-22-14 HHOT Outreach Meeting
- 9) 4-24-14 H+H Retail Meeting
- 10) 4-29-14 LAPD Crime Control Meeting
- 11) 4-30-14 Community Impact Meeting





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### **OUTREACH:**

On 4-7-14, Officer Ayala and Parra contacted Mark at 1122 Vine. He was in medical distress. His leg was badly swollen and he said he could not stand. As a result he had been staying on the bus bench for the last several days. He had defected on himself and was in great pain. Our officers called Paramedics (Garcia and Yim). They immediately transported him to Kaiser Hospital.

On 4-10-14, our Bike Team found a man lying on the sidewalk at 6609 Hollywood Blvd. He was shouting "I love you" over and over again. They had arrested this man in the past and had warned him. They considered arresting him again when the man appeared to go into a seizure. Sgt. Reyes responded and called for Paramedics. The man started sweating profusely and was foaming at the mouth. RA #82 arrived and loaded the man onto a gurney. He refused to give his name and then said "I will tell you my real name if you give me a hug". He then said he was Christian. He was taken to the hospital.



On 4-15-14, we received a call of a man down at the CVS Pharmacy located at 1747 Cahuenga. Officers Watkins and Sewell woke J.D. who appeared to be under the influence of alcohol. He said that his leg was broken so we called Paramedics. RA 82 responded and took him to the hospital. LAFD Captain Scott said that the leg was not broken and that this was the third time they have taken J.D. to the hospital for extreme intoxication.

On 4-15-14, PSO's Maki and Faifili contacted the homeless Gerald as he was blocking the sidewalk at 6780 Hollywood Blvd. They asked him to get up and he became angry and cussed them out. He calmed down as they kept offering to assist him. He said he had problems with alcohol and leg injuries.

On 4-17-14, Officers Ayala and Coogle contacted a group in front of the McDonalds at 6776 Hollywood Blvd. They spoke to Brian and Maria who were both homeless. This couple is at the location every morning. Our Officers gave them outreach information.

They also spoke to Theresa and her 13 and 14 year old daughters. They came here from Australia two years ago and have been homeless for 6 months. We drove both groups to the Church of the Blessed Sacrament and introduced them to Spencer who provided outreach information to them.



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Brian and Maria and the Aussies

On 4-17-14, Officers Ramirez and Anderson found 45 year old Kelly sitting on the sidewalk outside of the Taft building located at 1680 Vine Street. She was holding 13 month old Jasmin. She had several pieces of luggage on the sidewalk as well. When contacted she said that she was homeless and that her wife was currently trying to find them a room for the night.

Officer Anderson bought milk, water and some treats from Starbucks for the family. The Officers consulted with PATH and found an available shelter for the family. They gave Kelly the information and she was very thankful for the help.



Kelly and Jasmine at the Taft

On 4-22-14, our Officers took clothing and miscellaneous goods donated by our staff to the Center. These will be given to the homeless. We also dropped off seven phones at the LAPD Station. These will go to the Phones for Soldiers Program.

On 4-23-14, we received a call at the Subway located at 1813 Vine. Gertrude ordered a sandwich. When they placed it on the counter, she grabbed it without paying. The employee grabbed it and a tug of war ensued. The employee won and he threw the sandwich in the trash and told her to leave. She became enraged and swept all the items off of the counter.

Gertrude left the store after stealing a Muscle Milk. She drank it in the parking lot and promptly threw up. The employee did not desire to have her arrested.

Our first call of the day (4-23-14) involving Gertrude was at 7:40 A.M. She was at the Laundry Mate at 1820 Cahuenga yelling at people and going through the trash. It took some time, but she finally agreed to leave.



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Our next call was at 9:10 A.M. She was now at the Pla Boy Liquor causing a disturbance and refusing to leave. Once again, we convinced her to go after a long hostile dialogue. We encountered her again 30 minutes later as she was causing a disturbance at 6401 Hollywood Blvd. She was again asked to leave.

We contacted Gertrude again at 10:10 A.M. as she was throwing papers on the sidewalk at 6368 Hollywood Blvd. We were able to convince her to move on after another lengthy debate.

We received yet another call regarding Gertrude who was now at the Starbucks located at 6290 Hollywood Blvd. Employees asked her to leave, but she refused. She was asked many times, but was uncooperative as usual. The employee signed a PPA and we placed her under arrest for trespass.

LAPD Officers arrived and they contacted the P.E.T. Team. They determined that Gertrude was not a danger to herself or others. The LAPD Officers eventually released Gertrude at the scene.

On 4-24-14 at 8:08 A.M. we got a call from Carlos at World Books and News located at 1652 Cahuenga. Gertrude was there throwing trash. She had removed the trash can from its housing. Our Officers picked up the trash and returned the can to its proper place. Carlos called again at 9:19 A.M. and said that she was standing in traffic blocking cars.

Gertrude is unpredictable and often violent. She is clearly a danger to others. She is also a danger to herself as her walking in traffic illustrates. It also seems likely that someone that she assaults will strike back and possibly seriously injure her. The wasted manpower being used to move her from one spot to another is also a great waste that should be considered as we seek some solution to this problem.



Gertrude

On 4-22-14, Officers Mike and Mike found a Mr. Gibson sleeping under a tree at 6500 Sunset. He was homeless and they spoke to him about available shelter and services. He said he has been homeless for ten years ever since his wife died. He politely refused all offers of assistance. They sent his photo to Reggie from PATH and he agreed to meet with Mr. Gibson.





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Mr. Gibson

On 4-29-14, PSO's Maki and Faifili found a man down, partly on the sidewalk and with his legs on the street at 6834 Hollywood Blvd. The man said he was diabetic and needed insulin. He said he was in pain in his stomach and groin areas. Our Officers called Paramedics who responded and took the man to the hospital.



Man Down

On 5-1-14, we received a call of a woman exposing herself at the Musician's Institute. Sgt. Patton contacted Angela Gould. He had trouble waking her up. Her feet were swollen and her shirt was ripped. Patton got her a new shirt and shoes at the Church and Angela went on her way.

### **ENFORCEMENT:**

In the Hollywood BID we have made a total of 319 arrests. Two hundred and fourteen were for drinking in public, 14 for urinating in public, 18 for trespass, 1 for illegal vending, 4 for battery, 41 for blocking the sidewalk, 8 for theft, 5 for miscellaneous misdemeanors, and 14 for felonies. We also made 193 homeless referrals, assisted 52 agencies, provided 595 foot beat patrols for a total of 923.7 hours, assisted 5587 citizens, handled 1014 radio calls for service and made 8013 business contacts.

In the Sunset BID, we have made a total of 121 arrests. Eighty nine were for drinking in public, 11 for urinating in public, 10 for trespass, 3 for battery, 4 for blocking the sidewalk, 1 for theft, 1 for miscellaneous misdemeanors, and 2 for felonies. We also made 151 homeless referrals, assisted 43 agencies, provided 112 foot beat patrols for a total of 139.6 hours, assisted 2265 citizens, handled 632 radio calls for service, and made 2021 business contacts.



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The combined arrest totals for both BIDS are 440 arrests. Three hundred and three for drinking in public, 25 for urinating in public, 28 for trespass, 1 for illegal vending, 7 for battery, 45 for blocking the sidewalk, 9 for theft, 6 for miscellaneous misdemeanors and 16 for felonies. We also made a combined total of 344 homeless referrals, assisted 95 agencies, provided 707 foot beat patrols for a total of 1063.3 hours, assisted 7852 citizens, handled 1646 radio calls for service, and made 10034 business contacts.

### **NOTED ARRESTS:**

On 4-12-14, Officers Sewell and Coppola arrested Constance for drinking in public at 7046 Hollywood Blvd. After turning her over to the LAPD we learned that she had a Felony No Bail Warrant.



Felon Constance

On 4-12-14, our Officers warned Teneshia at 6300 Sunset Blvd. She was sitting on and blocking the sidewalk as she enjoyed her lunch. She became quite angry and refused to move. After numerous unheeded warnings, she was placed under arrest and taken to the LAPD Station.



Teneshia

On 4-25-14, Bike Patrol Officers Ramirez and Trujillo saw Guy urinating on Hudson near Hollywood Blvd. When approached he said "You F\_\_\_ing tin badges. You're not real cops". The Officers told him there was a public bathroom a half block away and he replied "Man, I don't want to talk to you wanna be's". Although deeply saddened by Guy's hurtful rhetoric, the Officers carried on with their duties and placed him under arrest. Officers Sterling and Islas assisted.



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The Officers flagged down an LAPD unit and they stopped and cited Guy for the offense. Officer Ramirez saw a blue star on the suspect's cheek. He remembered seeing this on a wanted flyer for a wanted parolee at large. The LAPD Officers ran him and found that he was indeed a parolee at large with an outstanding no bail felony warrant. The noisome felon was booked.



Parolee Takes a Pee

On 4-25-14, Officers Gordon and Kanagi saw Michael drinking Gran Legacy gin at 1715 Cahuenga. The Officers spoke to him and he said "F\_\_\_ you rent a cop". They asked if he knew drinking in public was illegal and he said "Yes, what are you going to do about it?" They placed him under arrest. Michael was extremely abusive and hostile. The Officers continued to speak to him in a professional manner and offered him outreach help after they learned that he was homeless. They referred him to homeless services and detox locations. After he was cited out by the LAPD, they bought him a meal as he had not eaten that day.



The Irascible Michael

On 4-28-14, the Bike Team arrested Lemar and Kilvin for drinking in public in the EACA alley. We spend considerable time trying to keep this alley free of criminal elements.



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Drinkers Lemar and Kilvin

### **DEPLOYMENT:**

During this period we worked from 6:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M. on Monday through Saturday and 10:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M. on Sunday. This included Officers in vehicles, bicycles, T3's and on foot.

### **TRAINING UPDATE:**

During this period our Officers received training in Effective Communication, Public Relations, Criminal Liability and Civil Liability.