



ANDREWS INTERNATIONAL **HOLLYWOOD/SUNSET BID PATROL**

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SBID Report

SUMMARY FOR 2-2-15 THROUGH 3-1-15

This report takes us through week nine of 2015. We are starting to see some early trends. Arrests are exactly the same as this time last year. We are experimenting with a new strategy regarding our enforcement of drinking in public. These arrests have accounted for about 60% of our arrests year after year. That number is holding true for this year as well. We still believe that it is important to curtail public drinking as this has a direct effect on assaults and other crimes.

Our new approach involves more warnings and, more importantly, referrals. We have made 22 such referrals so far. If the person is agreeable, we give them a warning and information about local Alcoholic Anonymous meetings and other resources. We will attempt to gather data to see if this will bring positive results.

We have responded to 349 calls for service. This is an increase of 20 over last year's pace. Homeless referrals and citizen contacts and business contacts are down somewhat while high visibility patrols are about the same. We are working to bring those numbers back in line with past performance.

EVENTS OF INTEREST:

On 2-18-15, we responded to a call of a fight at My Friend's Place. Upon arrival we found 6 males arguing. Staff wanted the group to leave and our officers were able to get the group to do so. Once outside the young men started arguing again and it seemed that a fight was eminent. Our officers got between the parties and were able to deescalate the situation. They were able to convince the group to leave in different directions. The positive rapport that we have established with many homeless youths often allows us to handle these types of situations peacefully.

On 2-19-15, a man was driving very recklessly near our office at Highland and Johnny Grant Way. The man parked near Highland Liquor and left on foot. LAPD officers were searching for the man. One of our PSO's spotted the man heading southbound on Highland. He notified the LAPD officers and they responded and arrested the man.

LAPD Sgt. Cohen asked us to help him evacuate the area as the man said there was a bomb in his car. We helped with the evacuation and contacted nearby businesses. We also assisted with crowd control. Sgt. Cohan requested that one of our PSO's stay with him at the command post so we could maintain communication. She did so for four hours until the vehicle was finally cleared. The LAPD used a robot to search the car. An explosive device was used to open the trunk of the car. The Sgt. thanked our PSO saying "I couldn't have done it without you".



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MEETINGS ATTENDED:

- 1) 2-3-15 LAPD Crime Control Meeting
- 2) 2-9-15 The Center Outreach Conference Call
- 3) 2-9-15 Hollywood 4WRD Outreach Meeting
- 4) 2-10-15 HHOT Outreach Meeting
- 5) 2-10-15 LAPD Crime Control Meeting
- 6) 2-10-15 SBID Board Meeting
- 7) 2-12-15 BID Joint Security Meeting
- 8) 2-13-15 Americore Interview Meeting
- 9) 2-17-15 LAPD Crime Control Meeting
- 10) 2-17-15 The Center Outreach Conference Call
- 11) 2-19-15 HBID Board Meeting
- 12) 2-23-15 The Center Outreach Conference Call
- 13) 2-24-15 LAPD Crime Control Meeting

OUTREACH:

On 2-2-15, our PSO's spoke to a 60 year old homeless woman named Grace. She was sitting on the ground as she had broken her sandal and was having trouble walking. The officers directed her to the Center for new shoes.

The PSO's also spoke to Theresa who we met about 3 years ago. She and her two daughters are from Australia and have been stranded in Hollywood. We have directed them to outreach services including food and clothing in the past. Theresa had good news. A fellow Aussie they met here bought plane tickets for the family and they will be flying home in 2 weeks.

On 2-3-15, our officers went to the Colony located at 1743 Cahuenga in order to assist LAPD SLO Dillard. She was trying to get a 5150 hold placed on Richard. We fear that he is in danger of dying on the street without intervention. We gave the officer a 5 page report documenting BID Security contacts with Richard. Despite her best efforts, Officer Dillard was unable to get the hold placed.

On 2-6-15, our officers assisted LAPD officers who were speaking to Richard at 6381 Hollywood Blvd. Richard was on the ground. Our officers helped get him back into his wheelchair.

On 2-10-15, we found Richard sleeping in the parking lot located at 1747 Cahuenga. He was lying very close to the driveway and in danger of being run over. They woke him and after entertaining the officers with an onslaught of profanities, he moved to a new location. These are just a few of our contacts with Richard during this reporting period. Although he spends his time in the HBID, I included him in this report as his story is a great example that highlights the flaws in our mental health system.

On 2-3-15, our officers spoke with homeless veteran Robert. They knew from a homeless outreach meeting they had attended that the Veterans Administration had been



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looking for Robert in order to get him housing and services. The officers then called the VA on Robert's behalf and they arranged to meet with Robert.

On 2-6-15, our officers contacted Jacklyn on El Centro just south of Sunset. She is homeless and in need of assistance. They gave her information for shelter and services and arranged a meeting with her and Courtney from PATH for the following Saturday.

On 2-11-15, we delivered 6 warm jackets to the Center for the homeless. We also gave them clothing donated by our employees.

On 2-13-15, one of our unarmed officers bought a bouquet of roses and passed them out to several homeless people for Valentine's Day.

On 2-17-15, officers found 43 year old Estin lying halfway on the sidewalk and halfway on private property. He had been drinking, but was coherent. They told him that he could not block the walkway. Estin then told them that his leg was broken. They called paramedics who responded to the scene. They said that he appeared to have a broken ankle and they took him to the hospital.

On 2-17-15, we spoke to the homeless Robert. He asked them for help in getting a pair of size 12 shoes. They got the shoes from the Center and found Robert the next day at Santa Monica and Vine. He was happy with the new foot wear.

On 2-19-15, two officers were eating their lunch at Chipotle. They met a homeless man their named Robert and he was hungry. They bought him a steak burrito. A man in a white BMW started yelling at our officers to leave the man alone. The man drove off angrily.

On 2-23-15, our officers responded to a call of a man trespassing inside the Starbucks located at 6290 Sunset Blvd. An employee asked him to leave and he became argumentative. The man was angry, but one officer was able to establish a rapport with him. Seeing his success, the other officers backed off and let the officer handle the situation.

Our officer learned that the man was homeless and that his name was Wayne. He spoke to him about assistance that was available. I then authorized driving Wayne to the Center at the Church of the Blessed Sacrament for further help.

On 2-23-15, we took Americore worker Dawn on a ride along. We explained our duties and showed her various locations where homeless people congregate.

On 2-24-15, our PSO's spoke to George. He said he had been evicted from his apartment. He was sober though a bit disheveled. They encouraged him to get back off the streets. He said he would try to re-connect with PATH. We have a long history of attempting to help George.



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On 2-26-15, our officers took Nathan from the Center and two Americore workers into the field to conduct homeless outreach. Our officers took them to locations where homeless people sleep.

On 3-1-15, our officers found a man down on the ground by the front door of the Toi Beauty Salon located at 1123 Vine. They spoke to the man who was Native American named Allen AKA Kickinghorse. The officers asked him to get up and he refused. He then told them that he was having suicidal thoughts and wanted to kill himself.

Our officers tried to calm Allen and they called the LAPD and paramedics who responded and took him to the hospital.

ENFORCEMENT:

In the Sunset BID, we have made a total of 54 arrests. Six were for drinking in public, 22 for alcohol referrals, 2 for urinating in public, 5 for trespass, 2 for battery, 10 for blocking the sidewalk, 2 for theft, 4 for miscellaneous misdemeanors, and 1 for felony. We also made 143 homeless referrals, assisted 23 agencies, provided 53 foot beat patrols for a total of 78.3 hours, assisted 1503 citizens, handled 349 radio calls for service, and made 1144 business contacts.

NOTED ARRESTS:

On 2-10-15, we arrested John for urinating in public at 6359 De Longpre. He was turned over to the LAPD who advised that John was on parole. They booked him for a felony parole violation.

On 2-10-15, our officers also arrested Angela for drinking in public at 6254 Lexington. She was cited. Angela is homeless and in need of new clothes. We gave her directions to the Center. They also directed her to the Methodist church which was serving meals today.

On 2-25-15, LAPD SLO Sevdalian advised that Domonique had an outstanding felony no bail warrant. The suspect had been seen at My Friends Place, but left prior to the officer's arrival. Williams had been arrested for making threats against staff the previous Tuesday. Sometime after being released he returned to the location and attacked a staff member knocking him to the ground.

BID Officers responded to the area. They spotted the suspect and watched as he walked to the rear of 1711 Van Ness (Church of Latter Day Saints). This is a location where outreach to the homeless is provided. We called the SLO and he sent LAPD Officers 6A15 (Baguinat and Anaya) to the scene. They searched the location, but did not find the suspect.

Our officers were able to point out the suspect to the officers. He had changed his clothing and given the officers a fake name. The suspect was taken into custody for the felony.



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On 2-24-15, we responded to a call of a fight inside the Taco Bell located at 6254 Lexington. When our officers arrived the suspect was gone. Eighty year old victim John told the officers that he had been attacked. They saw that John had a large bruise on his left cheek and a laceration on his right arm. The attack was captured on video. John said that he had a history of heart attacks and strokes.

The LAPD was called. One of our officers stayed with John while the other officers went in search of the suspect. They found the suspect several blocks east of the location at 1346 El Centro. The suspect was turned over to the LAPD.

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 driver's safety, workplace safety, live fire range training and legal update.