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SUMMARY FOR 5-5-14 THROUGH 6-8-14

This report takes us through week 23 of this year. We continue to see patterns emerge as we add more data. Arrests are up by 56 over this time last year. Arrests for drinking in public are up by 13. We have strived to increase our high visibility patrols. They are up by 93 with an addition of 185.1 hours of patrol over last year's total at this point in the year. We have provided a total of 232.4 hours of bike and foot patrol so far this year. Citizen contacts are up by 481 and business checks are up by 1524 over last year's totals. We have responded to 782 calls for service so far this year. This is only 2 more calls than last year's pace. We view this as a positive sign and will monitor.

EVENTS OF INTEREST:

On 5-6-14, Bike Team Officers Trujillo, Anderson and Ramirez came across three male juveniles riding their skateboards in the street at Bronson and Harold Way. They spoke to the kids about traffic safety. The conversation then drifted to school and the importance of good grades. They then played history trivia with the lads and the winners were given water, trail mix and beef jerky as prizes. Nice out of the box rapport building by the bike boys.

On 5-14-14, we made a new friend named Emma who was visiting from Virginia. She fell near our office and got a boo boo on her right leg. We brought her into our office where Officer Trujillo cleaned the wound and slapped a bandaid on it. The mom said they had just arrived and that Hollywood was great.



Emma and her Brothers Hit Hollywood



On 5-16-14, new Neighborhood Prosecutor Jackie Lawson attended our briefing. She spoke to the Officers and we shared ideas for future endeavors. We spoke about the importance of stay away orders and how they were a great tool for handling problem people. She then told us about Wesley who is a CD seller. He interfered with the LAPD during the arrest of another vender and was issued a Stay Away Order.

A few hours later PSO Maki saw Wesley standing in front of the Hard Rock Café selling CD's. We notified LAPD Officers Arguelles and Gonzales. They called Jackie and confirmed that Patton was in violation. They then arrested him for the violation.

We have already met with Jackie a few times and she plans to go on a ride along with us soon. We are very happy with the great communication we have already established with her.

On 5-17-14, Officers Gordon and Kanagi broke up yet another encampment at the Social Security Building located at 1122 Vine. Two female and three male transients were asked to relocate.



On 5-20-14, we learned that numerous newly planted trees have been damaged in the SBID. We have found 20 such trees so far. In our search for witnesses, our Bike Team Officers spoke to Security Guard Charles Berg (323-338-0555) who works at the Office Depot located at 1240 Vine. He said that he saw a man break one of the trees. When asked for a description he said that it was a man that we had run off the property the day before. We had been called to the scene as the man was causing a disturbance. We received three calls regarding the man and they are listed below.

5-20-14/3:30 P.M.-radio call of man causing a disturbance and refusing to leave the Taco Bell at 6254 Lexington . Manager Ana. Sent on his way.

5-20-14/4:00P.M.- radio call of man causing a disturbance and refusing to leave the El Pollo Loco located at 1244 Vine. Manager Kellen. Sent on his way.

5-20-14/4:50 P.M.-radio call of a man causing a disturbance and trespassing. At the McDonalds located At 1413 Vine. Sent on his way.

Our Officers can identify this man by sight. He has not been seen since 5-20-14. We are searching and we have asked people in the area to call us if they see him.



On 5-23-14, Bike Team Officers Carrasquillo and Cox located a second witness to the suspect. Her name is Rosa and she works at the Quality Hair Salon. She described the suspect as being a male black, middle aged, 5'10" tall, thin build short afro, and wearing a black jacket and blue jeans.



Damaged Tree

On 5-27-14, Bike team members Ramirez and Trujillo were flagged down by a couple of tourists from Germany at 6255 Sunset Blvd. They believed that their car had been stolen. Our officers spent considerable time and effort and found out that the car had been towed by the DOT. They gave the couple the address and phone number for Hollywood Tow, flagged down a cab and sent them off to be reunited with their car. The couple was so grateful that they offered a "Benjamin", "C Note", you know, a hundred bucks. Our Officers refused the offer and told them to use it to pay the tow fees.

MEETINGS ATTENDED:

- 1) 5-6-14 LAPD Crime Control Meeting
- 2) 5-6-14 HHOT Outreach Meeting
- 3) 5-8-14 BID Joint Security Meeting
- 4) 5-8-14 CPAB Night Club Meeting
- 5) 5-13-14 LAPD Crime Control Meeting
- 6) 5-13-14 SBID Board Meeting
- 7) 5-15-14 Disaster Preparedness Meeting
- 8) 5-16-14 Neighborhood Prosecutor Addressed briefing
- 9) 5-20-14 LAPD Crime Control Meeting
- 10) 5-20-14 HHOT Outreach Meeting
- 11) 5-20-14 LAPD Capt. Zarcone Gang Issues Meeting
- 12) 5-27-14 LAPD Crime Control Meeting
- 13) 5-28-14 Community Impact Meeting
- 14) 5-29-14 Gertrude Bonner Outreach Meeting
- 15) 5-30-14 1700 Block Whitley Security Issues Meeting
- 16) 6-3-14 LAPD Crime Control Meeting
- 17) 6-3-14 LAPD EACA Alley Security Meeting
- 18) 6-5-14 Heroes of Hollywood Luncheon

OUTREACH:

On 5-7-14, the PSO's came across the homeless Frederick. He was having trouble walking. He explained that he had walked on glass and was sent to the hospital. He was



released with only hospital socks. They directed him the Church of the Blessed Sacrament where he was given a pair of rubber boots. He was very happy with his new footwear.



Footwear for Frank

On 5-7-14, the PSO's met 24 year old Patrick. He came here from Oklahoma 6 months ago and is now homeless. He was wearing a dress shirt and slacks and was passing out his resume. Our Officers offered to help. They contacted Courtney from PATH who arranged an interview for him with Chick Fillet.

On 5-28-14, Patrick stopped by our office to show off his new uniform. He is clearly proud of his accomplishments. PSO Maki spoke to him about getting housing as he is still homeless. He does not want assistance as he thinks he can make it on his own. He joined L.A. Fitness so that he has a place to shower before work. We will continue to monitor Patrick and help him out if we can.





Patrick

On 5-8-14, Officers Mike and Mike located longtime homeless man Robert. He was sleeping in an alcove at California Surplus located at 6263 Santa Monica Blvd. They did not wake him, but instead called Nancy from the DMH. She has been searching for him, but can never seem to find him. He sleeps at this location almost daily and we have alerted her to his location on many occasions.





File Photo of Robert

On 5-8-14, the Bike Team spoke to a homeless woman at Vine and Sunset. They gave her information about shelter and services. Officer Anderson bought her some food at the nearby McDonalds.



Bike Team Officers Anderson and Jacquez joined in on the theme of "Hydrating Hollywood". As temperatures neared 100 degrees they gave cold water to five different homeless people they met throughout the HBID and SBID.



Happy Hydrated Homeless Hipster

On 5-12-14, Officers Melvin and Mooney contacted Orlando at the Taco Bell located at Lexington and Vine. He said that someone had hit him on the knee with a hammer and then stabbed him in the groin with an ice pick. Our Officers called Paramedics who responded and whisked Orlando off to the hospital.



On 5-23-14, at 10:35 A.M., Sgt. Patton saw Gertrude crossing the street against the red traffic signal at Hollywood and Cahuenga. He was able to videotape the event. At 11:15 A.M., a citizen told our PSO's that Gertrude was passing out syringes and condoms. They contacted her and the Officers saw that the information was accurate. The syringes were in wrappers.

On 5-23-14, Officers Sterling and Parra were driving through the alley behind 6377 Hollywood Blvd. at 12:10 P.M. when they spotted Gertrude. She was drinking a Pabst Blue Ribbon beer. She was placed under arrest for the violation. She was cited out by the LAPD.



On 5-23-14, at 1:40 P.M., we received a call of a woman down at 6385 Hollywood Blvd. We found Gertrude passed out on the sidewalk. We called Paramedics and they responded and took her to Kaiser Hospital. The handling Paramedic refused to tell Officers Kanagi and Gordon where they were transporting Gertrude. They were able to find out her location through other contacts.

I gave the Officers an eight page report documenting our contacts with Gertrude. They took it to the hospital and gave it to staff in the hopes that this would assist them in

fashioning their treatment plan for her. She was still unconscious when they left the location.





Gertrude

On 5-26-14, Sgt. Patton found Gertrude on the ground in the alley behind Sharkey's. He checked on her and learned that she had just been sleeping and was all right. She got up and left the area.



Sgt. Patton checked the alley the next morning at about 6:30 A.M. and there was no one there. He returned an hour later and found Gertrude on the ground surrounded by filth. She was foaming at the mouth and her breathing was very labored. Paramedics were called and they took her to the hospital. We later learned that she was sent to the ICU and was on a respirator.

On 5-19-14, Officers Mooney and Melvin responded to a radio call of a man causing a disturbance at Amoeba Music located at 6400 Sunset Blvd. Store Security escorted him out of the store and sat him on the bus bench. He promptly fell off striking his head on the sidewalk. Paramedics were called and they took him to the hospital.

On 5-20-14, Officers Mike and Mike woke five people sleeping at the car wash located at 6206 Sunset Blvd. One was long time homeless man Victor. We have spent a great deal of time trying to help him get off the street. The Officers called the Veteran's Administration for him as this day was the deadline to turn in his VASH paperwork. The VA agreed to the meeting.

The meeting occurred four hours later at the Starbucks located at 6104 Sunset Blvd. VA workers Dave and Liliana completed his paperwork and they will submit it tomorrow.

On 5-21-14, Officers Melvin and Mooney responded to a radio call of a homeless man blocking access to the Hollywood Athletic Club located at 6525 Sunset Blvd. He had several duffle bags. He agreed to move and said that he would be moving into housing on June 1, 2014. We have received several complaints regarding Mr. Gibson being at this location. He said that he became homeless after his wife died ten years ago.



File Photo of Mr. Gibson

On 5-22-14, the DMH contacted Officers Mike and Mike and asked them to call if they could locate Robert. The Officers found him at 6530 Santa Monica Blvd. at 8:45 A.M. They called DMH, but no one answered. They left a message, but did not receive a call back. They stayed with Robert for about five minutes, but then had to leave to perform other duties.

On 5-29-14, the formally homeless Destiny stopped by our office to say hello and update us on her situation. She is very happy to be in her Section 8 apartment. She told us that she had been uncooperative with her case worker Emily and PSO Maki counseled her to



apologize. She agreed to do so. Destiny admitted that her life is so much better now than when we first met her. At that time she was high on drugs and sleeping on the streets.



Destiny in more Stressful Times

On 5-30-14, Officer Coogle contacted the 50 year old homeless Amanda. She has a small service dog. She said that she has cancer and that her medical condition is hampering her attempts to get housing. Mike called Reggie from PATH and he said he would meet with Amanda in an hour or so.

On 5-30-14, Bike Team Officers Ramirez and Trujillo contacted Michelle, Joel and Michael who were down on the sidewalk at 6215 Sunset. They were homeless and seemed to be in some distress. The Officers gave them fruit and water and directed them to PATH.

On 5-30-14, we received a call of a male adult with apparent mental illness issues at Amoeba Music located at 6400 Sunset. Upon arrival Officers Gordon and Kanagi found "Chris" on the ground in front of the location. He had a wrist band with an emergency number. His care taker in Pomona was contacted. Staff at the store watched Chris for two hours until the caretaker arrived.



Chris

On 6-2-14, Officers Coogle and Ayala met the homeless Fawn Pointer At 1810 Cahuenga. She said she was the daughter of one of the "Pointer Sisters". After assessing her needs, they sent her to the Center to meet with Spencer.





On 6-3-14, Officers Ayala and Coogle found the homeless Mary on the ground at 1132 Vine. They woke her and spoke to her about entering a PATH shelter. They have been trying to get her to accept outreach services for a long time, but she once again refused.



File Photo of Mary

On 6-5-14, Sgt. Patton contacted John Brown at Sunset and Highland. He has been missing for some time. He was clean, but we were not able to see if his ankles were still in bad shape or not. He was pretty hostile and he walked away rather than continue the conversation. We have video of the encounter.

On 6-6-14, Officers Sterling and Ayala contacted a woman at Vine and Delongpre. They called the LAPD and learned that she was a critical missing from a local hospital. She was returned to the hospital.

ENFORCEMENT:

In the Sunset BID, we have made a total of 162 arrests. One hundred and nineteen were for drinking in public, 13 for urinating in public, 13 for trespass, 4 for battery, 7 for blocking the sidewalk, 2 for theft, 1 miscellaneous misdemeanor, and 3 felonies. We also made 217 homeless referrals, assisted 52 agencies, provided 162 foot beat patrols for a total of 232.4 hours, assisted 2987 citizens, handled 782 radio calls for service, and made 3087 business contacts.

NOTED ARRESTS:

On 5-5-14, Bike team Officers Ramirez, Anderson and Trujillo arrested Robert for blocking the sidewalk at 6381 Hollywood Blvd. During the arrest process they noticed that his shoes were in very bad shape. They gave him a pair of tennis shoes that had been donated by Officer Trujillo. We have found this type of outreach to be very effective. It can make a friend of an enemy and encourages the person to obey our laws.





Newly Shorn Robert

On 5-9-14, Officers Ayala and Coogle woke Ian who was sleeping on the sidewalk at Sunset and Cahuenga. It took him a few minutes, but he finally grabbed his blanket and left. They saw him again a few minutes later. He was now standing on the sidewalk in front of the Jack in the Box located at 6407 Sunset Blvd. He started urinating on the wall in the plain view of traffic which was about four feet away. His penis was clearly visible to anyone gazing his way. He was placed under arrest.



Ian

On 5-15-14, Sgt. Patton arrested Eston for drinking in public at 6019 Sunset Blvd. This is one of many arrests for him. BID Security's first documented contact with him was on 7-29-05 when he was arrested for urinating in public. Over the years we have arrested him many times for drinking in public and also for urinating in public, felony parole violation, trespass and blocking the sidewalk. He has resisted all our efforts to encourage him to seek alcohol abuse counseling.





Eston Evaluates Adult Beverage

On 5-19-14, we received a call of a man refusing to leave the Pickford Center located at 1313 Vine. Security Officer Lopez said the man refused to leave saying "I own this property and I'm not leaving. We gave him another chance to leave, but he refused to leave his "property".



John Doe

On 5-31-14, at 9:30 A.M., Officers Kanagi and Gordon received a radio call of a man causing a disturbance at the Jack in the Box located at 6407 Sunset Blvd. Upon arrival they saw several customers running out the door. They went inside and saw Jeremy urinating and defecating on the floor of the restaurant. Customers were rushing to get away from the area. Jeremy was yelling and causing a major scene. A homeless woman named Rachel joined in and yelled for Jeremy to ignore the BID Officers who were trying to get him to pull his pants up. He was only 15 feet away from the bathroom. He was arrested and later cited out by the LAPD.

Six and a half hours later, Officers Ishibashi and Jacquez were flagged down by LAPD Motor Officer Hernandez #133. He said that a victim had been attacked inside the Pollo Loco located at 1260 Vine and he needed help to Arrest the suspect. After speaking to the victim, we placed Jeremy under arrest for battery.



Jeremy Defecation Arrest





Battery Arrest

On 6-4-14, Officers Ayala and Coogle arrested Jose for urinating in public at 1552 Schrader. He said he was on parole for assault with a deadly weapon. After turning Jose over to the LAPD we learned that he had an outstanding felony PAL warrant.



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, Live Fire range Training and Legal Update. Neighborhood Prosecutor Jackie Lawson also attended our briefing and fielded legal questions from our Officers.

