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SUMMARY FOR 3-2-15 THROUGH 3-29-15

This report takes us through week 13 of this year. Our arrests are down slightly compared to this time last year. Our high visibility patrols are also up by about 55 hours. Our citizen contacts, business checks and homeless referrals are all higher. Our calls for service are up a significant amount at 61 additional calls. These calls have an impact on the amount of proactive patrol time we can provide.

An analysis of our calls reveals that Monday and Tuesday are our busiest days followed closely by Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. We show a slight drop off on Saturday. Sunday is by far our slowest day for calls for service.

EVENTS OF INTEREST:

On 3-14-15, Kerry Morrison, Board members and Chamber of Commerce members went on a midnight to 2:30 A.M. walkabout on Hollywood Blvd. in order to access the club scene. The group split into two teams with Bill Farrar and me along as security. We were clearly not needed as the LAPD was out in force. Two officers even walked with my group. Our group was impressed with the LAPD tactical plan for handling the club patrons hitting the streets at 2:00 A.M. Things seemed much improved since we conducted a similar walk two years ago.

On 3-24-15, Bike Officers Anderson and Nam were flagged down by several people at Hollywood and Vine. They were told that there was a man causing a major disturbance in front of a MTA bus on Vine at Sunset. They went to the location and saw the man banging on the front windshield of the bus. The driver appeared to be frightened.

The officers approached the 85 year old man and walked him to the curb. He was angry as there was no longer a bus stop at this location. Our officers convinced the man to walk to a nearby bus bench. He was still angry, but did comply with the request.

On 3-25-15, we responded to a call of a woman refusing to leave the Jack in the Box located at 6407 Sunset Blvd. Upon arrival the officers saw that the woman was a transient, 45 to 50 years old, 6'1" tall and weighing close to 300 pounds. She was screaming obscenities at the employees as they were refusing her service. This was a volatile situation. Officer Mooney was able to establish a rapport with the woman and convinced her to go outside with him. He then went back in and made her food purchase for her. She agreed that she would leave the location with her food. The woman could have been arrested for trespass, but not without the potential of a major confrontation. Officer Mooney did a great job of de-escalating the situation and solving the problem.

MEETINGS ATTENDED:

1) 3-2-15 Center Homeless Outreach Conference Call



- 2) 3-3-15 LAPD Crime Control Meeting
- 3) 3-3-15 CPAB
- 4) 3-4-15 Security Meeting 6404 Hollywood Blvd.
- 5) 3-9-15 Center Homeless Outreach Conference Call
- 6) 3-10-15 LAPD Crime Control Meeting
- 7) 3-10-15 HHOT Homeless Outreach Meeting
- 8) 3-12-15 BID Joint Security Meeting
- 9) 3-16-15 Center Homeless Outreach Conference call
- 10) 3-17-15 LAPD Crime Control Meeting
- 11) 3-17-15 SBID Board Meeting
- 12) 3-19-15 HBID Board Meeting
- 13) 3-23-15 Center Homeless Outreach Conference Call
- 14) 3-24-15 LAPD Crime Control Meeting
- 15) 3-26-15 Chamber of Commerce Luncheon
- 16) 3-31-15 CPAB
- 17) 3-31-15 LAPD Crime Control Meeting

OUTREACH:

Our Officers came across a homeless man curled up on the sidewalk. They asked if he was alright and he said he had a stomach ache. He refused their offer to call paramedics so they gave him directions to the Saban Free Clinic.

On 3-2-15 and throughout the month, our officers have been speaking with Arnie. He used to live on the streets and suffered from extreme mental illness. Under Kerry Morrison's direction, and with the help of our outreach partners, we were able to assist with getting Arnie into a conservatorship. After a year of treatment Arnie returned to Hollywood. We are currently keeping an eye on him for Housing Works. They and others in the outreach community are determined to provide support for Arnie so that he does not slip back into his previous lifestyle.

This week I learned that Housing works had a new apartment ready for Arnie. They called us and asked that we locate them so they could tell him about this. We found Arnie on the Blvd. and directed the outreach workers to him. Arnie loves Hollywood and we see him here every day. He is doing well and we have a great rapport with him.

On 3-10-15, Officers Ayala and Coogle contacted the homeless Andrew in the 6200 block of Leland Way. He was sleeping on the sidewalk. Andrew explained that he had a rough night and had soiled his pants. The officers went to the Center and met with Spencer. He was able to provide new pants, underwear and socks for Andrew.

On 3-13-15, Officers Anderson and Rosales spoke to the homeless Jonathan. He was blocking the sidewalk at 6300 Sunset Blvd. They asked him to get up. He told them that he had not eaten in days. The officers bought him a burger, fries and coke. Jonathan got up off the sidewalk.



On 3-17-15, Officers Parra and Tesh responded to a call of a man threatening suicide at the 7-11 Store located at 1810 Cahuenga. Upon arrival the officers spoke to 54 year old John. He said that he was schizophrenic and had not taken his medication for three days. He said that he wanted to kill himself by throwing himself in front of a speeding car.

Our officers called the LAPD. Officers Ritchie and Trotter arrived and transported John to the hospital for mental evaluation.

On 3-22-15, Officers Kanagi and Martinez contacted the homeless Jonathan who was lying on the ground outside the McDonalds located at 1413 Vine. He said he was sick. They bought him an orange juice. He said that his shoes had been stolen during the night. His feet were dirty and he had a laceration that was not healing properly. The officers referred him to the Saban Free Clinic for a shower and medical treatment. Jonathan thanked the officers and then left the location.

ENFORCEMENT:

In the Sunset BID, we have made a total of 66 arrests. Seven were for drinking in public, 28 were for alcohol referrals, 2 for urinating in public, 8 for trespass, 2 for battery, 10 for blocking the sidewalk, 3 for theft, 4 for miscellaneous misdemeanors, and 2 felonies. We also made 230 homeless referrals, assisted 30 agencies, provided 81 foot beat patrols for a total of 136.8 hours, to assisted 2287 citizens, handled 533 radio calls for service, and made 1915 business contacts.

NOTED ARRESTS:

On 3-17-15, we responded to a call from Amoeba Music. Security there was trying to hold down a theft suspect that was fighting with them. We asked them to call the LAPD and then responded to the scene. An LAPD Sgt. was on scene. During the confusion of arresting the struggling theft suspect, another man got into the Sgt's. patrol car. Our officers assisted the Sgt. in getting control of this man who was placed into custody.

On 3-11-15, Officers Ayala and Coogle were at the Goodwill store located at 1218 Vine. The security guard approached and pointed out Thomas who went into a nearby business. The guard said that Thomas had committed a robbery at the Goodwill earlier.

Our officers called the LAPD. Thomas came out of the business and walked to the 1400 block of El Centro. Officer Ayala and Parra followed the suspect as Officer Coogle waited at the scene for the LAPD. The LAPD officers arrived and were directed to the suspect's location. They took him in custody for robbery.

On 3-12-15, Officers Carrasquillo and Trujillo assisted the LASD and LAPD on a call regarding a homeless man chasing a female tourist with a hypodermic needle. Our officers were flagged down by an LASD motor officer who was detaining the man. Our officers assisted in guarding the man and in gathering witness statements.



LAPD officers arrived and we gave them the information. They determined that the man needed to have a 5150 hold placed on him. They called paramedics who responded and took him to the hospital.

On 3-12-15, our officers spoke to a homeless man known as "Shreds". He told us that a man who dresses in a Spiderman costume at Hollywood and Highland was carrying a gun. The man is also known to dress as Mickey Mouse. Our officers had earlier seen this man passing out papers critical of President Obama. The document was strange and troubling.

I became concerned as the President was in town to film the Jimmy Kimmel Show. I passed on the information to Captain Zarcone who in turn notified the Secret Service. The LAPD was able to identify the suspect and was able to track him down and place him under arrest for three outstanding warrants.

On 3-17-15, Sgt. Reyes went to court for the trial of robbery suspect Phillip. Reyes and Officer Mooney had arrested him on 12-18-14. They had received a call of a man causing a disturbance. Upon arrival they spoke to Timothy.

Timothy said that suspect Phillip punched him in the head three times and knocked him to the ground. His phone and keys fell to the ground. Phillip took these items and fled the scene. Our officers found the suspect some blocks away. The victim identified him and we took him into custody for robbery.

Phillip pled no contest to the charges.

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 out officers received training in Emergency Guidelines, Sexual Harassment and Legal update.

