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Burbank Police Department Monthly Newsletter

COMING EVENTS

- POLICE COMMISSION MEETING, WEDNESDAY, JULY 16, 2014 AT 6:00PM
- JUNE IS NATIONAL SAFETY MONTH

INCLUDED IN NEWSLETTER

- SPOTLIGHT!
- CRIME STATS
- HUMOR
- PUBLIC INFORMATION:
 - NATIONAL SAFETY MONTH
 - DISASTER PREPAREDNESS
- FEATURE OF THE MONTH: THE BPD'S PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS BUREAU/AUDITS AND INSPECTIONS



NEWS AROUND BURBANK

JUNE 2014

SPOTLIGHT!

POLICE/FIRE DAY: SATURDAY, MAY 10, 2014



With approximately 500+ attendees, Police/Fire Day was a day of fun-filled activities. The community had the opportunity to meet and chat with members of the BPD's SWAT team, mounted unit, air support, traffic bureau, K-9, and animal shelter. The COPS bureau highlighted the Community and Youth Academies programs.



WEEKLY CRIME STATS - MAY 2014

CRIME:	Apr 27-May 3	May 4-10	May 11-17	May 18-24	May 25-31	YTD 2014	YTD 2013	% Change
Robbery	1	2	0	1	1	24	27	-11%
Aggravated Assaults	2	1	1	1	1	28	46	-39%
Other Assaults	5	6	9	5	4	135	163	-17%
Burglary	4	10	7	11	7	138	139	-1%
Auto Theft	2	5	6	1	5	89	95	-6%
CALLS FOR SERVICE	957	893	873	903	864	17,987	18,203	-1%
RESPONSE TIMES:								
* Priority 1	3:46 mins	4:16 mins	2:23 mins	3:24 mins	4:15 mins	3:48 mins	4:51 mins	-22%
** Priority 2	14:19 mins	12:46 mins	14:07 mins	13:23 mins	14:47 mins	14:05 mins	15:11 mins	-7%

* Life Threatening or violent crimes in progress ** Average time for all other calls

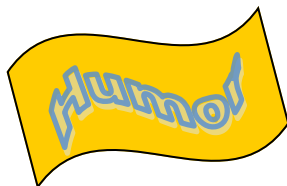
NATIONAL SAFETY MONTH 2014

(Source: nsc.org)

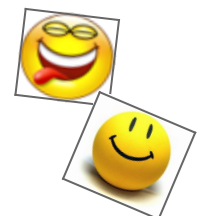
Each June, the National Safety Council celebrates National Safety Month as a time to bring attention to key safety issues. The 2014 National Safety Month theme, "Safety: It takes all of us," was inspired by the idea of continuous risk reduction - a key pillar in the Journey to Safety Excellence. Use this June to find creative ways to engage everyone in reducing risk in your work-places. A little effort today has the potential to prevent tragedy tomorrow.

A successful safety program depends on spotting hazards early, evaluating the risk and removing or controlling hazards before they can do harm. If left unnoticed, hazards that produce no injury today can lead to a serious injury in the future. Please join the Council and thousands of organizations across the country to reduce risk of the following safety issues:

- ⇒ Week 1: Prevent prescription drug abuse
- ⇒ Week 2: Stop slips, trips, and falls
- ⇒ Week 3: Be aware of your surroundings
- ⇒ Week 4: Put an end to distracted driving
- ⇒ Bonus week: Summer safety (overexertion/heat stress)



"Is it after midnight right now, or is it before?"
 "It's before midnight right now".
 "Yeah, but it's also after!"



Disaster Preparedness: A Checklist

Natural disasters can frequently be predicted so that people have some time to prepare; however criminals and terrorists strike without warning, making it essential to have in place well-planned responses to such events. Here is a checklist for you and your family:

- Make a list of important phone numbers, such as non-emergency numbers for the police and fire departments, FBI field office, and local emergency management office, and post it by your telephone.
- Develop a communications plan for your family. Choose someone who does not live with you, preferably out-of-town, that you and other family members can contact to check on each other in the event that you are separated during a disaster. Carry the number in your wallet.
- Make sure children know how to dial 911 or "0" in an emergency, and that they know their last name, phone number, and number for the out-of-town contact person.
- Establish a meeting place for family members if home or neighborhood evacuation is necessary. Pick one place near your home and one outside your neighborhood in case you can't return after a disaster.
- Make sure every member of your family knows an alternate route home.
- Assemble an emergency preparedness kit that contains the following supplies and store in sealed containers such as plastic tubs, taped shut:
 - * *3-5 day supply of water (one gallon per person per day)*
 - * *Food that will not spoil and requires no cooking*
 - * *First-aid kit, and needed medications (5-7 day supply)*
 - * *Emergency tools, such as a battery-powered radio, cell phone, flashlight, extra batteries*
 - * *Personal items like toilet paper and plastic garbage bags*
 - * *Change of clothing and blankets for each person*
 - * *Portable generator (if possible)*
 - * *Keep your car gas-tank as full as possible at all times*
 - * *If you have pets, make sure you pack food, medications, leashes*
- Keep cash on hand; automated teller machines will not work when the power is out.
- Take a basic course in CPR and first-aid.
- Learn how to turn off water, gas, and electricity at main switches.
- Learn about emergency plans for your children's school or day care center.
- Draw a floor plan of your home and mark 2 escape routes from each room. Practice your evacuation plan.
- Know your community's evacuation routes.
- Work with your Neighborhood Watch group or civic association to create a disaster preparedness plan.



FEATURE OF THE MONTH

PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS BUREAU / AUDITS AND INSPECTIONS



The Burbank Police Department maintains an Audits and Inspections Unit to help assess its performance and capabilities. The unit conducts regular audits and inspections of all the major components of the organization to ensure that the Department is operating efficiently and achieving its objectives. The Audits and Inspections Unit is considered an essential part of the Department's risk management efforts.

Although every organizational component of the Department is subject to inspection, some of the critical areas that are audited include the jail, property and evidence room, criminal records, and training records.

All audits are documented and related reports are submitted to the Chief's Office for review. The reports may identify deficiencies and may contain recommendations for training, or policy or procedural changes.

In addition to its audit function, the Professional Standards Bureau is also responsible for research and planning, including:

- CALEA (Commission for Accreditation for Law Enforcement Act) accreditation
- Publication and updating of Department written directives and manuals
- Strategic planning
- Completion of various administrative tasks
- Conducting surveys
- Special projects as assigned by the Chief's Office

**Our mission is to protect life and property, provide professional police services,
and work in partnership with the community.**

This is accomplished through adherence to core values:

RESPECT

**Protect the rights and dignity of all people as determined by the United States
Constitution and the laws of the State of California**

INTEGRITY

**Commitment to ethical behavior and acceptance of individual responsibility and
accountability for all our actions and decisions**

EXCELLENCE

Quality through continuous improvement