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# BURBANK POLICE DEPARTMENT

## Community Newsletter | March 2020

### Announcing the 2020 Burbank Police Department Spring Community Academy

The application period to enroll in the 2020 Burbank Police Department Spring Community Academy Class is now open. Classes are scheduled to begin on Thursday, April 2, 2020 and will run on consecutive Thursdays through April and May. Included in the program will be a visit to the Burbank Police training facility and firing range.

The Community Academy is designed to give individuals an opportunity to see how police officers work, as well as gain a better understanding of Departmental operations. The course is designed to familiarize citizens with the Department's community policing philosophy, internal policies, and the guiding principles of law and ethical conduct governing the delivery of police services within our community. Attendees must be at least 18 years of age and live or work in the City of Burbank.

Space is limited and the class will fill-up quickly. Interested candidates can apply by visiting <https://bit.ly/3chPOgD>.





# Police Employees Recognized by Magnolia Park Optimist Club

Three members of the Burbank Police Department were recently honored and recognized by the Magnolia Park Optimist Club for their contributions and outstanding service to the community. The annual recognition event was hosted at the Elks Lodge in Burbank on February 27.

Honorees included Burbank Police Officer of the Year, Detective Aaron Kay, Non-sworn Employee of the Year, Administrative Analyst Maricela Vega, and Police Volunteer of the Year, Chaplain Jose Poch. Recipients were hosted for dinner along with family, Optimist Club members, and members of the community who shared in their recognition. The Master of Ceremonies was Burbank-Magnolia Park Optimist Club President, Doreen Wydra.

The achievements of these employees will also be recognized at the upcoming Burbank Police Awards Luncheon, taking place on April 16 at the Burbank Airport Marriott Hotel. For more information, including sponsorship opportunities, visit [www.burbankpolicefoundation.org](http://www.burbankpolicefoundation.org).



*Pictured from left to right are Burbank Police Deputy Chief Mike Albanese, Captain Travis Irving, Volunteer of the Year, Police Chaplain Jose Poch, Police Chief Scott LaChasse, Non-sworn Employee of the Year, Maricela Vega, Police Administrator Josephine Wilson, and Captain Denis Cremins (Not pictured - Officer of the Year, Detective Aaron Kay)*



11:00am  
Registration

11:30am-1:30pm  
Lunch & Program

\$85 / ticket



## SAVE THE DATE: April 16, 2020

Burbank Police Foundation's 6th Annual  
**Burbank Police Awards Luncheon**

Marriott Burbank Airport  
2500 N. Hollywood Way / Burbank, CA 91505

Call (818) 237-9032 or email [ed@burbankpolicefoundation.org](mailto:ed@burbankpolicefoundation.org) for information.



# Meet Burbank's Newest Community Resource Officers

The Burbank Police Department recently appointed two new Community Resource Officers - Officer Rashaad Coleman and Officer Karissa Peltier. Community Resource Officers work as liaisons between citizens and the Police Department in helping to resolve community issues and reinforce community policing strategies and philosophies.

Burbank Police deploy two full-time Community Resource Officers, whose responsibilities include: recruitment, managing the Police Explorer program, special projects on matters of community relations and partnerships, investigating and addressing quality of life issues, serving as a referral source for citizens who are in need of special services, developing neighborhood watch groups and coordinating meetings, hosting the Community and Youth Academies, providing safety education in our local schools, and developing crime prevention strategies with local residents and businesses.

The Community Resource Officers also plan and host numerous community events throughout the year, including National Night Out, Shop With a Cop, Coffee With a Cop, Police and Fire Service Day, Drug Take Back, and more! They also serve as points of contact in coordinating local charitable events with organizations like the Special Olympics, American Red Cross, and Burbank Police Foundation.

Officer Peltier joined the Burbank Police Department in 2015, while Officer Coleman started his law enforcement career in 2016. Both were previously assigned to the Patrol Division before being named Community Resource Officers.

For more information about the various programs and events offered by the Burbank Police Department, visit [www.BurbankPD.org](http://www.BurbankPD.org).



*Officer Rashaad Coleman (top) and Officer Karissa Peltier (bottom) are Burbank PD's newest Community Resource Officers*

**NOW HIRING**

**Join Our Team.  
Wear Our Badge.**

The Burbank Police Department is Now Hiring

Apply at [www.BurbankPD.org/Recruitment](http://www.BurbankPD.org/Recruitment)

## CRIME STATS: January 2020

Robbery	Aggravated Assault	Burglary	Petty Theft	Auto Theft
2	10	22	182	16

**Total Calls for Service: 3,907**

**Avg. Response Times (Emergency Calls): 3:12**

**Avg. Response Times (All Calls): 16:21**

**Traffic Citations: 761 | Arrests: 324**

*For a complete listing of FBI UCR crime reporting statistics, please visit [burbankpd.org](http://burbankpd.org) or <https://ucr.fbi.gov>.*



CITY OF  
BURBANK

# BURBANK COUNTS

# CENSUS 2020

## IS HERE!



### EVERYONE COUNTS

Everyone who resides in United States must be counted!



### IT'S EASY

Complete the survey within 10 minutes online, by phone, or mail.



### IMPORTANT

Data helps fund important programs. More people counted means more money for your community.

**Look for your U.S. Census Bureau invitation  
in the mail in March 2020!**



For more information, visit:  
**2020CENSUS.GOV**





# BURBANK COUNTS

## 2020 CENSUS FAQ

### WHAT IS THE CENSUS?

The census is a count of every person who lives in the United States and its territories. It happens every 10 years. In early 2020, you will be asked to count everyone who lives in your home as of April 1. Responding to the 2020 Census is a chance to shape your future.

### WHAT'S IN IT FOR ME?



Your responses inform where over \$675 billion is distributed each year to communities nationwide for clinics, schools, roads, and more.



Census data gives community leaders vital information to make decisions about building community centers, opening businesses, and planning for the future.



Responding also fulfills your civic duty because it's mandated by the U.S. Constitution. The United States has counted its population every 10 years since 1790.



Your responses are used to redraw legislative districts and determine the number of seats your state has in the U.S. House of Representatives.

### IS MY INFORMATION SAFE?

Your responses to the 2020 Census are safe, secure, and protected by federal law. Your answers can only be used to produce statistics. They cannot be used against you by any government agency or court in any way—not by the FBI, not by the CIA, not by the DHS, and not by ICE.

### WHEN CAN I RESPOND TO THE CENSUS?

In early 2020, every household in America will receive a notice to complete the census online, by phone, or by mail. In May, the U.S. Census Bureau will begin following up in person with households that have yet to respond.

For more information, visit:

**2020CENSUS.GOV**

### WHAT WILL I BE ASKED?

You will be asked a few simple questions, like age, sex, and the number of people who live in your home, including children.

### WHAT WON'T BE ASKED?

The census will never ask for Social Security numbers, bank or credit card numbers, money or donations, or anything related to political parties.

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2020

**BEWARE:**

# TAX SEASON SCAMS



As we all prepare for tax time, the Burbank Police Department would like to remind our community about scammers claiming to be from the I.R.S. demanding money from you.

## Common phone, text message & e-mail scams:

- Individuals aggressively target taxpayers and may use threats of arrest or seizure of your property and assets. Some calls have even threatened a “lawsuit” against the taxpayer.
- Perpetrators will claim to be employees of the I.R.S., but they are not.
- They may use false names and fake I.R.S. ID or badge numbers to deceive you, and might mask or “spoof” their phone number, making the call appear authentic.
- Victims are often told they owe money to the I.R.S., which must be paid immediately through a prepaid debit card, gift card, or wire transfer.
- Victims might even be told they have a refund due in order to persuade them into providing personal and/or financial account information.

## Remember, the I.R.S. will NEVER:

- Call you by phone and demand immediate payment. You will always receive an official written correspondence from the I.R.S.
- Have you utilize a prepaid debit card, gift card, or wire transfer for payment.
- Ask you for a debit or credit card number, or any other personal or financial information over the phone.
- Threaten you with incarceration or other law enforcement action.

If you receive these calls, text messages or emails, do not respond and call the I.R.S. directly at (800) 829-1040. If you have fallen victim to one of these scams, go to [www.tigta.gov](http://www.tigta.gov) and fill out the “IRS Impersonation Scam” form. You should also report the incoming phone number on the Federal Trade Commission “Do Not Call” registry complaint website: [complaints.donotcall.gov](http://complaints.donotcall.gov).

For more information, visit: <https://www.irs.gov/uac/tax-scams-consumer-alerts>.



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