

Chief of Police

BURBANK POLICE DEPARTMENT

200 North Third Street, Burbank, CA 91502

COMMUNITY BULLETIN

MOUNTAIN LION SIGHTING

DATE: August 26, 2015

On August 22, 2015, a mountain lion was spotted in the back yard of a residence in the 500 Block of N. Sunset Canyon Drive in Burbank. The mountain lion took the resident's poodle and disappeared back into the hills behind the home.

This bulletin is intended to alert the community of the incident and to provide precautions to help keep residents and their pets safe.

The following safety tips have been provided by the California Department of Fish and Game:

- Do not feed deer; it is illegal in California and it will attract mountain lions.
- Trim brush to reduce hiding places for mountain lions.
- Don't allow pets outside when mountain lions are most active—dawn, dusk, and at night.
- Bring pet food inside to avoid attracting raccoons, opossums and other potential mountain lion prey.
- Do not leave small children or pets outside unattended.
- Install motion sensitive lighting around your home.
- Do not hike, bike or jog alone.
- Avoid hiking or jogging when mountain lions are most active—dawn, dusk, and at night.
- Never approach a mountain lion.
- If you encounter a mountain lion, do not run; instead, face the animal, make noise and try to look bigger by waving your arms; throw rocks or other objects. Pick up small children. If attacked, fight back.
- If a mountain lion attacks a person, immediately call 911.

For questions concerning this issue, please contact Burbank Animal Control at (818) 238-3340. After hours, please contact the Burbank Police Department at (818) 238-3000.

QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS STATEMENT MAY BE DIRECTED TO SERGEANT CLAUDIO LOSACCO, @ 818-238-3240 OR CLOSACCO@BURBANKCA.GOV

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