## **BURBANK POLICE & FIRE DEPARTMENTS**



## **COMMUNITY BULLETIN** HAPPY 4TH OF JULY



June 30, 2017

Burbank, California - The Burbank Police and Fire Departments would like to wish everyone a happy and safe Fourth of July. We would also like to remind the community that the possession or use of any fireworks is illegal in the City of Burbank. We will be on the lookout for fireworks throughout the Fourth of July holiday period. Anyone caught in possession of fireworks will have them confiscated and be subject to a citation or arrest.

"Fireworks, even those marked as 'safe and sane,' are ILLEGAL in the City of Burbank," said Burbank Fire Chief Tom Lenahan. "Please make the holiday a safe one. Enjoy the amazing professional fireworks show put on by our Parks and Recreation Department at the Starlight Bowl."

In recent years, fireworks have been one of the leading causes of injuries requiring hospital emergency room treatment. Fireworks can result in severe burns, fractures, scars, and even death or disfigurement. Serious injuries each year typically harm the eyes, head or hands.

Additionally, Burbank Police want to remind residents that celebratory gunfire is not only dangerous, but illegal. Shooting a gun into the air is a felony. If you are caught, you will be arrested and prosecuted. A stray bullet from your gun can kill someone. If you see someone fire a gun into the air, call the police.

Finally, we remind the community that drone (UAS) operations are unlawful within the city limits under federal law, with limited exceptions, as well as the Burbank Municipal Code, which makes it illegal to operate drones near fireworks, police and/or fire operations, at night, or over people, among several other restrictions.

Celebrate the Fourth of July holiday safely and responsibly. Please do not fire guns into the air and do not use illegal fireworks.

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