

**BURBANK POLICE DEPARTMENT** 

200 North Third Street, Burbank, CA 91502

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## **OFFICIAL NEWS RELEASE**

## BURBANK POLICE MAKE OPERATIONAL ADJUSTMENTS IN RESPONSE TO COVID-19

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**Burbank, California** – As part of a continued, proactive approach towards slowing the spread of the Novel Coronavirus, the Burbank Police Department is making certain operational adjustments. Please know that our response to emergency and non-emergency calls for service has not changed, and we will continue to deliver uninterrupted police services in our community.

In an effort to provide the highest level of safety and service, while preserving the health of both police personnel and members of the community, we will be limiting access to the front lobby of the Burbank Police Department (200 N. Third St.) until further notice, except in essential or emergent situations. Lobby restrictions will not apply to the following:

- Situations in which a law enforcement presence is needed to immediately protect life, safety or property
- Impound releases
- Individuals who are required by law to check-in with law enforcement
- Mandated visits for the payment of fees or collection of property

If a member of the public requires police assistance while at the Burbank Police Department, they can utilize the intercom phone located next to the main entrance doors to speak with an operator.

If calling for police services while experiencing flu-like symptoms, fever, or respiratory distress, please notify our communications operators so first responders can take any necessary safety precautions prior to their arrival.

As a reminder, **many crime reports can be filed online** and we encourage citizens to utilize the online reporting system, <u>which can be found here</u>.

The Burbank Police Department is also limiting jail visits of inmates to lawyers and bail bond agents only, in accordance with recommendations by the Board of State & Community Corrections.

## For emergencies, dial 9-1-1.

We apologize for any inconvenience these adjustments may cause. Please know that the men and women of the Burbank Police Department are committed to the safety and well-being of the citizens in our community.

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 QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS STATEMENT SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO: SERGEANT DEREK GREEN | 818-238-3240 | DGREEN@BURBANKCA.GOV

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