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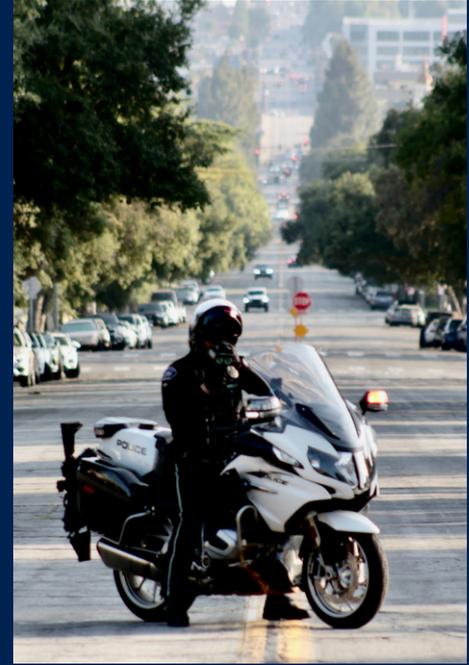
Burbank Police Foundation Teddy Bears

The Burbank Police Foundation recently purchased hundreds of teddy bears for the Burbank Police Department. These bears will begin their journey in the trunks of police cars and will meet new friends when there is a need for extra comforting during difficult times, or times of crisis. The teddy bears were introduced by the students of St. Finbar Parish School, who helped bag them up in preparation for deployment. Thanks to everyone involved in this important project!



Traffic Enforcement & Education

The Burbank Police Department is committed to ensuring the safety of the citizens in our community. Impairment, speeding, street racing, and other dangerous driving behaviors jeopardize the safety of other people on the road. We continue to enforce traffic laws with the goal of reducing collisions, educating the citizens in our community, and keeping our community safe. This is achieved through the establishment of preventative patrols to manage specific categories of unlawful driving behavior.



Traffic enforcement strategies are based on collision data, enforcement activity records, traffic volume, and traffic conditions. Several methods contribute to our overall goal:

arrests, citations, warnings, and education. Through these methods and efforts, we strive to educate our community on the importance of safe driving and we aim to keep our community safe.

Traffic Enforcement Stats: January 2023

DUI Arrests

38

Citations

678

Documented Collisions

68



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SUPER BOWL FANS
DON'T LET FANS DRIVE DRUNK



Kickoff Super Bowl Sunday with a Designated Driver

Fans don't let Fans Drive Drunk

Kickoff on one of America's favorite past times is around the corner. When it's time for Super Bowl LVII, the Burbank Police Department is encouraging all football fans to celebrate responsibly by not driving impaired, or letting other fans get behind the wheel when they shouldn't.

The Burbank Police Department supports the effort of the Office of Traffic Safety which aims to educate all drivers that "DUI Doesn't Just Mean Booze." If you take prescription drugs, particularly those with a driving or operating machinery warning label, you may be impaired enough to be arrested for driving under the influence (DUI). Marijuana can also be impairing and result in a DUI, especially in combination with alcohol or other drugs.

There are many options available to get you home safely. There is no excuse for getting behind the wheel when you are impaired. To avoid a DUI and putting yourself and others at risk, the Burbank Police Department has the following reminders:

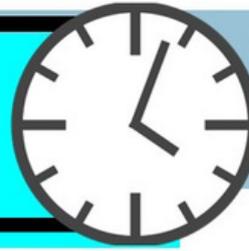
- Make the play of the game and designate a sober driver.
- Use public transportation or a ride-sharing service to get home.
- Have a friend or family member who is about to drive buzzed or impaired? Intercept those keys and make arrangements to get them home safely.
- If you're hosting a party, be a team player and have plenty of non-alcoholic drinks available for designated sober drivers.
- Fans don't let fans drive drunk. Report drunk drivers - call 911.

Burbank Police reminds the community to enjoy the Super Bowl responsibly by enlisting the help of a designated driver. Plan your sober ride home before the party begins on February 12.



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MHET in a Minute



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New Year Mental Health Resolutions

As 2023 approaches, you might be thinking about resolutions you want to make for the new year. The following goals have the potential to make a significant impact in all areas of life:

- Make sleep a priority
- Prioritize exercise
- Make time for self-care
- Embrace a food routine
- Try a new hobby
- Limit your screen time
- Learn more about mental health
- Seek the help of trusted professionals

Sources: [Mental Health First Aid](#), [Oregon Counseling](#), [American Bar Association](#),

Homeless Connect Day

On 1/19/23, Homeless Connect Day will take place in Ralph Foy Park. The event will provide free on-stop services to families and individuals experiencing homelessness. Click [here](#) to view the flyer.



"Mental Health Minute: Depression"

Got 60 seconds? Take a mental health minute to learn about the signs and symptoms of depression. For more information on depression, please visit: www.nimh.nih.gov/depression.

Let's Talk About MDD

- When someone experiences persistent and intense feelings of sadness for extended periods, they may have **Major Depressive Disorder**
- MDD is a common but serious mood disorder
- 1 in 6 people experience depression in their lifetime
- Depression is the leading cause of disability for ages 15-44
- During episodes, the following symptoms occur for 2 or more weeks:
 - ◊ Persistent sad, anxious, or "empty" mood
 - ◊ Irritability, frustration, or restlessness
 - ◊ Loss of interest or pleasure in hobbies/activities
 - ◊ Thoughts about dying or suicide
- For teens, symptoms may include irritability, lashing out, feeling worthless, poor performance at school, using recreational drugs or alcohol, e.g.
- Depression can result from a complex interaction of social, psychological and biological factors
 - ◊ Postpartum, grief, seasonal affective disorder, e.g. can trigger MDD
- Medication and psychotherapy can be effective for most people with depression
- If you think you or others may hurt themselves, call 911 or your local emergency number immediately

Source: [Mayo Clinic](#), [Health Line](#)



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LIFELINE

24/7 CALL, TEXT, CHAT



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Contact MHET at 818-238-3391 or BMHET@burbankca.gov

Theft of Catalytic Converters

A catalytic converter turns engine pollutants into less-harmful emissions before leaving a vehicle's exhaust system. They are critical in keeping our air clean and reducing smog, but also a target for thieves who steal catalytic converters for the precious metals they contain – platinum, palladium, and rhodium.

A thief can get under a car and steal a catalytic converter in minutes, leaving a vehicle owner with a steep bill for a replacement. Catalytic converter thefts can cost victims thousands of dollars in repair work, while thieves cash them in at scrap yards for an easy payout.

During the month of December, the Burbank Police Department saw an increase in thefts of catalytic converters. In many of the cases, thieves targeted hybrid vehicles, specifically the Toyota Prius. The Burbank Police Department is committed to combating this rise in theft and arrested 11 people during the month of December for suspicion of stealing catalytic converters. During those investigations, eight catalytic converters suspected of being stolen were recovered.

The Burbank Police Department would like to provide the community with the following tips to help deter and prevent thefts of catalytic converters:

- Park in a garage or well-lit area
- Consider installing motion sensor lights and surveillance cameras
- Etch the vehicle identification number (VIN) or license plate number on your catalytic converter for identification should it be stolen and recovered
- Be mindful and observant of anyone under a vehicle, especially late at night
- Keep an eye out for people loitering near vehicles that might be carrying tools or other items without a reasonable explanation

The Burbank Police Department would also like to remind residents of the “Etch and Catch” Catalytic Converter Anti-Theft Program. To deter would-be thieves and track stolen catalytic converters, the Burbank Police Department has teamed up with several local auto repair shops to have Burbank residents' license plate numbers etched onto their catalytic converters.

As a community, we need to work together to prevent crime. If you see a crime in progress or anything that appears to be suspicious, report it IMMEDIATELY to the Burbank Police Department. Our 24-hour, non-emergency number is (818) 238-3000. For emergencies only, dial 9-1-1.

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 and click the "Report a Crime" tab. You should also report the incoming phone number on the Federal Trade Commission “Do Not Call” registry complaint website: complaints.donotcall.gov.

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



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OPPORTUNITIES

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- Investigations
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- School Resource Officer
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- Bicycle Patrol
- Mental Health Evaluation Team

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- > PEPRCA CalPERS retirement pension of 2% at 62.
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- > Bilingual pay of \$1,100 annually.
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- > Desirable 3/12 work schedule.

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- Monitor and supervise visits
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