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Public Interest

How to make a police report in San Francisco

There are four ways to make a police report:

1) By telephone for non-emergency incidents that need an investigation. Callers can receive assistance by calling (415) 553-0123 to report non-emergencies incidents. TTY callers will be transferred to a TTY call taker and translation assistance is available for limited English speaking persons.

Note: Life threatening emergencies or crime-in-progess calls should be reported immediately by calling 9-1-1.

- 2) In person by going to any of the ten district stations: Central-766 Vallejo Street @ Stockton Street Southern-850 Bryant Street @ 7th Street Bayview-201 Williams Street @ Newhall Street Mission-630 Valencia Street @ 17th Street Northern-1125 Fillmore Street @ Turk Street Park-1899 Waller Street @ Kezar Drive Richmond--461-6th Avenue @ Geary Boulevard Ingleside-- #1 Sgt. john V. Young Lane Taraval 2345-24th Avenue @ Taraval Street Tenderloin-301 Eddy Street @ Jones Street
- 3) By calling the Teleserve Department: Callers can contact the Teleserve Department to report property crime where no suspect information is available. The service is available from 8:30 am to 4:00pm Monday through Friday. Callers can be referred to the service by calling (415) 553-0123 or by calling direct at (415) 553-4912.
- 4) By Online Reporting:

The service can be accessed via the S.F.P.D. Website at www.sfgov.org/police and selecting the Online Reporting Icon on the home page. Reports where there is no suspect information and no evidence that needs to be collected. Reports can be made for the following types of crimes. Harassing telephone calls, Auto burglary, Graffiti, Vandalism, Lost property, and Theft. You must have an email address to use this service. An added benefit is that when your report is reviewed and approved (usually within 5 days), an approved copy of the report will be emailed back to you.

Have a Happy and Safe New Year,

Captain Albert Pardini

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Commanding Officer Bayview Station

Safety Tips: Holiday Spirits

No series of articles focusing on holiday safety precautions would be complete without a note or two concerning the use of alcohol. Having tabled the subject, a reader might think that such an article would be preoccupied with drivers and driving behavior. The fact is alcohol use and the impact that it has on our personal safety affects Americans in more ways than merely driving under the influence alone. When we review the statistics below we see just exactly how insidious and prevalent that influence can be.

According to a 1998 Federal Bureau of Justice study roughly forty percent of all crimes, violent and nonviolent, are committed under the influence of alcohol. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration found that in the year 2000 thirty-eight percent of all pedestrians killed in traffic accidents, who were sixteen years of age or older, had alcohol in their system. The same study found that either the driver, the pedestrian, or both were intoxicated in forty-six percent of all fatal pedestrian crashes, and the intoxication rate for pedestrians that were involved in collisions was nearly triple the rate that it was for drivers. Clearly alcohol use contributes more to criminal behavior, on and off the road, than any other one factor. So what can we do about that?

With the end of Prohibition in 1933, as a nation Americans chose to follow the path of responsible alcohol consumption and moderation over that of abstinence. After contemplating these alarming statistics we might all agree, putting these ideals to practice has proven a challenge. Roughly three in every ten Americans will be involved in an alcohol related crash at some time in their lives. Bearing this in mind, scientific estimates of the rate at which we metabolize alcohol might help us gauge appropriate levels of consumption while we are out on the town. To begin with, the average person metabolizes alcohol at the rate of approximately one drink an hour. A standard "drink" is roughly the equivalent of about 1.5 ounces of 80-proof liquor, 5 ounces of wine, or 12 ounces of beer. So, it takes us the better part of an hour for our blood alcohol content to return to zero after having imbibed that one drink, generally speaking.

Although blood alcohol content as low as 0.02% affects one's driving ability, and the likelihood of a crash, the legal blood alcohol limit in California is 0.08%. Regardless of our individual perceptions, with a blood alcohol content of 0.08%, all drivers, even drivers who are "experienced" drinkers, are significantly impaired. To reach that level a 170-pound man would have to consume more than four "drinks" in one hour on an empty stomach. Under the same conditions a 137-pound female would have

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to consume three. Remember, strong coffee and exercise will not accelerate the rate at which we metabolize alcohol. Only time will sober us up.

The consumption estimates that we have touched on may be adapted to reduce potentially threatening levels of intoxication among pedestrians and other persons celebrating as well. Don't forget, approximately twenty-five percent of all fatally injured pedestrians have blood alcohol contents greater than 0.20%. Ostensibly that twenty-five percent has consumed more than the equivalent of eight drinks in one hour as a 170-pound man and six drinks in one hour as a 137-pound woman. We can see, easily, how such persons may be at risk while at large in traffic rich metropolitan areas. Keep in mind that the National Highway Transportation Safety Administration rates San Francisco as having the fourth highest pedestrian fatality rate nation wide, and nation wide an average of one pedestrian is killed every 108 minutes. Of those pedestrians killed 33% had a blood alcohol content of 0.08% or greater.

As to whether we attribute these frightening statistics to having repealed the Volstead Act, our Twenty-first Century population demographics, or anemic public safety funding, in the end we must be our own, best personal safety advocates. We all wish to return home safely. So long as we pace ourselves, drink in moderation, watch the clock, and leave plenty of time at the end of the evening for sobering up, we will have one thing less to worry about. As to holiday celebrations, all the officers at Bayview Station wish you the safest and most festive of the New Year.

Crimes and Law Enforcement

Tuesday, December 20, 2005, 10:15 PM. Theft, Possession of Stolen Property, Conspiracy, Possession of Burglary Tools. 500 Block of Bayshore. Case #: 051427376. Bayview Officers Festa and Cruz responded to a Holiday Tree lot on the 500 block of Bayshore Ave, on the report of a burglary in progress. The Officers met with an employee of the lot. The employee explained he had just witnessed two suspects use bolt cutters to cut through the chain link fence that surrounds the lot. He watched the suspects gather some Holiday Trees and stuff them into the rear of a black Honda.

SF Sheriff Deputy Borovina was following the broadcast of this caper on his radio. The Deputy spotted a Honda with Holiday Trees jammed in the back and followed it towards Potrero Hill but lost it in the area. Bayview Officers Berge and Johnson found the Honda on Watchman Way. They found the Holiday Trees and bolt cutters in the car. The Officers detained the vehicle's occupants until the employee arrived and identified them as the suspects. He also identified the Holiday Trees as belonging to the Lot.

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The suspects, both Bayview residents, were booked at County Jail #9. It turns out one of the suspects is currently on parole for burglary.

Wednesday, December 21, 2005, 11:17 AM. Warrant Arrest, Possession of Cocaine for Sale, Methamphetamine Offense. 6600 Block of 3rd St. Case #: 051429827. Bayview Officer Alcaraz along with numerous other Officers responded to a hotel on the 6600 Block of 3rd St. They had received word that a man wanted for aggravated assault on another Bayview Officer was hiding in a room at the Hotel. The Officers set up a perimeter around the hotel. When Officers knocked on the door, a woman opened the door and allowed them to enter. The Officers immediately recognized one of the two men in the room as the aforementioned suspect. The other man told the Officers that he was currently on probation. When the Officers searched the man they found large quantities of crack cocaine and methamphetmine in his pockets. A small digital scale found in his pocket suggests the man had been packaging narcotics for sale. The men, both Bayview residents, were booked at County Jail #9.

Thursday, December 22, 2005, 12:09 PM. Suspicious Occurrence - Possible Shots Fired, Warrant Arrest. Unit Block of Northridge Road. Case #: 051433646.

Bayview Housing Authority Officers Chiang and Rockwell responded to the unit block of Northridge upon learning that shots had been fired in the area. Numerous other Bayview Officers arrived and began searching the area for possible shooting victims and/or suspects. The search failed to recover any spent shell casings, however, Officer Pascua found an SKS military assault rifle in some nearby bushes. The rifle was wrapped in a black garbage bag. Two men in the area were detained as possible suspects. Both men denied any involvement with the gun. One of the men was booked at Bayview station for an outstanding traffic warrant. The other man was released after providing a written statement.

Friday, December 23, 2005, 08:40 AM. Parole Violation. Methamphetamine for Sale, Marijuana Offense. 2200 Block of Jerrold. Case #: 051436678. State Parole Agent Reyes had been following a "Parolee at Large" on foot for several block in the area of Jerrold Ave. and Barneveld St. He broadcast the man's description and numerous Bayview Officers rushed to the scene. Officer Kwan managed to stop the man just as he climbed into a waiting taxi. Officers searched the man and found him to be in possession of a large quantity of methamphetamine. He also had a digital scale and nearly \$6,000.00 in cash. The man blurted out to Agent Reyes, "The dope is mine, but the money is my Mom's!" The man, who is a Bayview resident, was booked at County Jail #9. He will be going directly back to State Prison for this parole violation.

Saturday, December 24, 2005, Between 1:00 - 1:30 AM. Auto Break-ins. Barneveld and Jerrold. CS #: 051 439 973 & 051 439 848

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After an evening of dancing and merriment, Club goers emerged to find that their cars were broken into. In both cases the club goers left their jackets and purses in plain view in the vehicle. The car windows were smashed and the contents were taken. In one of the incidents a group of five black males were seen fleeing form one of the victims' vehicles and getting into an Acura Legend. No further suspect description was available.

Saturday, December 24, 2005, 7:35 AM. Stolen Auto, Evading a Police Officer. Keith and Revere. CS #: 051 438 884

Sgt. Moran was patrolling the streets of the Bayview District when he saw a maroon Camry with an expired registration sticker. Sgt. Moran pulled behind the Camry. The driver stopped his Camry in the middle of the street, stuck his head out of the window and yelled back towards the Sergeant, "It ain't stolen!" Computer results on the Camry's license plate indicated that the Camry was stolen, contrary to what the driver stated.

The Camry then drove away. Sgt. Moran activated his lights and sirens but the Camry did not stop. Sgt. Moran believed he knew the identity of the driver and chose not to pursue to risk the public's safety. Sgt. Moran knew the driver would be caught another day.

Turns out the driver's day would be just a few short hours later. Mission District units found the Camry and the driver on Capp Street. The driver was subsequently booked on stolen automobile charges and evading a police officer.

Monday, December 26, 2005, 1:32 PM - Driving on a suspended license Warrant Arrest - 1000 Block of Palou CS #: 051 446 398
Units assigned to the Bayview Districts saw a vehicle travelling on the city streets without the required license plates. A traffic stop was made and it was determined that the driver who was driving on a suspended license had three outstanding warrants for...driving on a suspended license. The Bayview District man was arrested, again, for the warrants and the driving on a suspended license.

Phone Numbers and Web Sites

S. F. P. D. Emergency: 9-1-1 S.F.P.D. Website: www.sfgov.org/police S.F.P.D. Anonymous Tips, General: 575-4444

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Narcotics Detail Anonymous Tips: (800) 272-2548

Vice Crimes Anonymous Tips: 643-6223

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Captain Albert Pardini: 671-2300

Bayview Station Anonymous Tips: 822-8147.

Abandoned Autos: Officer Maurice Edwards (Tu - Fr), 254-7185.

Illegal Encampments: Officer Sue Lavin (Mo - Fr), 254-7120.

Bayview Narcotics Investigations: Sergeant Carl Fabbri, 254-7197.

Westbrook Development Liaison: Officer Raphael Rockwell, 509-1678, or

Officers Ramon Reynoso and Brett Bodisco 806-8304

Hunter's View Development Liaison: Officers Dave Dockery and Mike Robinson

at 509-1270, or Officers Ray Pascua and Mike Chantal at 987-6569

Potrero Hill Development Liaison: Officers Kevin Sanders and Alex Rodatos

at 509-1408 or Officers Tim Fowlie and George Ferraez at 987-6369

Third Street Beat Officers: Officer Tim Dalton and Kevin McPherson at

671-2300

San Bruno St. Corridor Beat Officer: Officer Culbert Chu at 671-2300

Miscellaneous City Departments Illegal Dumping (DPW): 282-5326 DPT Abandoned Autos: 781-JUNK DPT Parking Problems: 553-1200