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POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Dear Mr. Gonzalez,

It is an honor and a privilege to have been appointed as the City of South Pasadena's 13<sup>th</sup> police chief during the past year. On behalf of the men and women of the South Pasadena Police Department I am pleased to present our 2013 Annual Report. What this report cannot accurately depict is the honor and excellent dedication of the men and women of the South Pasadena Police Department who serve this city tirelessly. Over the past year, our officers have taken significant steps to reach out and strengthen our relationship with the community and our Public Safety Commission. The impact has been far greater than what I imagined when accepting the Chief of Police responsibilities.

The year 2013 will be remembered as a year of great accomplishments and extreme challenges for the South Pasadena Police Department. As we strive to improve all aspects of our operation, we understand that we must do so with fewer resources and funding; however, the safety of our community is our primary mission. Our department prides itself on continuing to make South Pasadena safe and will not let obstacles deter us from protecting those who work, live, and raise their families in the City of South Pasadena.

With the Governor's Parole Realignment Program (Assembly Bill 109) all cities have suffered the results of criminals being released back in their communities. We took aggressive measures to combat this issue by engaging surrounding agencies with the concept of sharing of resources by participating in the West San Gabriel Valley Burglary Task Force. In addition, a special patrol unit was given strategically assigned patrol routes in an effort to deter crime. Our long-term goal is to reduce these crimes by both traditional and non-traditional policing methods. Predictive Policing concept will be a major component and will be the catalyst which will help us meet our goals for reducing crime for 2014.

I am proud to be the Chief of the South Pasadena Police Department and I am proud of the efforts of the men and women of the South Pasadena Police Department. We will continue to strive to make South Pasadena the safest of cities.

Thank you for your continued support and trust in our Department.

Arthur J. Miller Chief of Police



"The Mission of the South Pasadena Police Department is to provide our community with the safest possible environment using interactive crime prevention methods, public education programs, and the equitable and professional application of the law."

# **CORE VALUES**

Integrity – Police officers are entrusted with lives and property. They are exposed to situations where, if lacking a high level of integrity, they can take advantage of that trust. The community must have confidence that their officers have the highest level of ethics and morals. Personal integrity is fundamental in the prevention of corruption. Police officers have a solemn obligation to be honest and trustworthy, accurately document probable cause and the circumstances of an arrest in reports and during courtroom testimony, report ethical violations when committed by others, and serve as a role model for the public.

**Quality of Service** – The residents and business owners of South Pasadena have high expectations of the quality of service provided by the South Pasadena Police Department. Historically, the Department has provided this level of service. When handling any type of call for service, criminal or traffic investigation, officers should always provide a level of service they would want their family to receive. They should be guided by what is the right thing to do to solve the problem that resulted in their response.

Respect for People – Police Officers must treat all people with as much respect and dignity as the situation allows. Even in a confrontational, adversarial encounter, officers must remain professional and respectful. Respect towards others breeds respect in return. And, respect towards others must begin between co-workers. If employees are not respectful towards each other, they will not be respectful towards the public. All employees must treat each other with respect and recognize that the diversity each employee brings to the South Pasadena Police Department helps to make the Department able to police the diverse community we serve.

Work Ethic – The employees of the South Pasadena Police Department are government employees and their salaries and benefits are paid by the public they serve. Taxpayers have the right to expect their government employees to earn the salaries they are paid. All employees are expected to give an honest day's work. The South Pasadena Police Department does not have any unnecessary positions and everyone must be committed to supporting each other to accomplish the goals and objectives of the organization. This requires a firm commitment from each and every employee.



## 125 YEARS OF LEADERSHIP

## City Marshal

Amman Cobb

March 1888 to June 1888

E. Peters

February 1889 to April 1894

George Wilson

October 1895 to April 1896

Martin B. Selman

June 1888 to February 1889

Isaac Peel

April 1894 to October 1895

M.B. Reid

April 1896 to July 1907

William H. Johnston July 1907 to April 1916

## **Chief of Police**

Frank Higgins

April 1916 to April 1942

Robert Blakely

October 1950 to October 1952

Melvin Vi<mark>ney</mark>

October 1960 to August 1976

Samuel Buntyn

June 1977 to December 1985

Thomas Mahoney

February 1991 to April 1997

Daniel Watson

January 2002 to July 2010

**Everett Setzer** 

October 1942 to October 1950

Clifton Brown

December 1952 to June 1960

Gary Brown

August 1976 to May 1977

William Reese

December 1985 to December 1990

Michael Berkow

July 1997 to July 2001

Joseph Payne

September 2010 to February 2013

Arthur Miller

February 2013 to Current



# SOUTH PASADENA POLICE 125 YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE

When South Pasadena incorporated on March 2, 1888, Amman Cobb was elected as the first City Marshal for the city and ten days later Martin

Selman (who would later become City Marshal) was appointed as a Deputy Marshal. The two provided law enforcement service for about 500 residents.

Most of South Pasadena consisted of orchards and farm lands with few roads through town. There were only a few businesses in the city and the luxurious Raymond Hotel stood atop of what is now Raymond Hill.

One of the first laws enacted by the new city was the "Anti-Saloon Ordinance", which prohibited saloons, bars, pool halls, and gambling rooms. This ordinance is still in effect today.



Frank Higgins - 1909

On March 19, 1888, Marshal Cobb made his first order of police equipment: two police nippers, two pairs of handcuffs and two stars (badges).

By the late 1800's, the farmlands and orchards were slowly giving way to land development and new roads. With the population expanding, so did the needs of the police department. On January 28, 1889, City Ordinance Number 19 created a police force of one or more officers that was to be appointed by the Board of Trustees. Nine officers were appointed to serve without pay. On April 22, 1889, \$20.00 was appropriated for a detective fund.

By 1902, railway lines and trolley cars opened up connecting South Pasadena to neighboring cities much like the MTA Gold Line is today.

By the early 1900's, South Pasadena was a growing young city. New businesses, schools and homes were being constructed and the population grew to about 5,000 by 1909.



Eight Motor Officers in LA County 1909 SPPD Officers Higgins is fourth from right Cooper is in far right

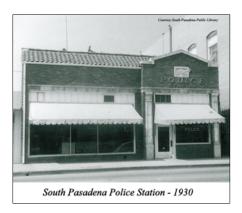


Horse drawn carriages were still used in the early 1900s, but vehicles were starting to rise. In 1909, the police department purchased two Thor motorcycles to help deal with speeding motorists. The first two motorcycle officers were Frank Higgins (who would later become police chief) and John Lillick. The two new motorcycle officers became the seventh and eighth motorcycle officers in Los Angeles County. Pasadena, Los Angeles and Los Angeles County each had two. Archie, and brother Leslie Cooper soon followed and became the department's motor officers, with Leslie Cooper being employed on motors during vacation days. Paved roads also started to appear in the same year. On October 4, 1909, a bicycle was purchased for Marshal Johnston, but he requested a horse instead.

In 1914, a new city hall was built at Mission and Mound, which also housed the fire and police department, including a jail.

In 1916, Marshal Johnston resigned and Frank Higgins was appointed as City Marshal.

On April 28, 1919, the officers requested one day off per week instead of one day per month. By the roaring 1920s, South Pasadena continued to grow with more businesses and homes expanding as well as paved roads. Historic Route 66 came through South Pasadena resulting in traffic concerns.



In 1926, the state legislature changed the position of City Marshal to Chief of Police, thus making Frank Higgins the department's first Police Chief. Chief Higgins remains one of three officers that started working with the South Pasadena Police Department as an officer and would later become its Chief (the other two are William Reese and Joseph Payne).

In 1929, the police department grew and plans were underway to purchase a building for the police department.

In 1930, the city purchased a fix-it shop next to City Hall and remodeled it to become the new police department. The first police radios were installed in police cars a year later. Prior to two-way radios installed in cars, Police Call Boxes were installed throughout the city. Officers communicated to the police station by calling in and receiving calls for service from the Call Boxes.

In 1938, work on the Arroyo Parkway (now called the 110 freeway) began and would open two years later in 1940.



On May 6, 1940, at about 3 PM, South Pasadena became the first city in the San Gabriel Valley to have an "active shooter" shooting occur in a school, leaving five faculty members dead and one wounded.

Verlin Spencer, the principal of South Pasadena Junior High School, entered the school administration building for a meeting with Superintendent of Schools, George Bush, high school principal John Alman and school business manager Will Speer. Upon hearing of his dismissal, Verlin Spencer went into a rage and pulled out a .22 Colt Woodsman pistol and shot all three of them. As Verlin Spencer exited the office, he



shot his fourth victim (a secretary named Dorotha Talbert, who survived the gunshot wound).



Verlin Spencer then drove his 1937 Ford to the South Pasadena Junior High School where he went to "hunt down" other teachers that he thought conspired against him. Verlin Spencer shot teacher Verner Vanderlip and hid his body under a desk. Verlin Spencer then walked across campus to look for Ruth Sturgeon's room, where she

was correcting papers when he shot her.

By this time, the police were called and three South Pasadena Police Officers armed with shotguns confronted Verlin Spencer in the school cafeteria. Verlin Spencer then shot himself in the chest in a failed suicide attempt. Verlin Spencer survived his wound and spent 30 years in prison and died in 1979.

In 1942, the department created the "South Pasadena Auxiliary Police". These volunteer officers were a third officer in the car and did not carry guns. They were originally created as a Civilian Defense auxiliary unit during the Second World War to support regular officers. It wasn't until 1945 when Auxiliary Officers were changed to "Reserve Officers" with authority to carry guns and were



Chief Clifton Brown presenting service awards to Reserve Officers in 1953

completely autonomous with their own command staff including a Reserve Chief.



On April 15, 1944, South Pasadena Police Officer Ray Rogers was killed during a high-speed pursuit on the Arroyo Seco Parkway. Officer Rogers was the first South Pasadena Police Officer killed in the line of duty.

The 1950s continued to see the city grow and in 1952, the electric trolley cars were gone and replaced with buses. In 1953, commercial vehicles were banned on the Arroyo Parkway, thus starting a traffic dilemma for the city. Truck routes had to be planned through the city to allow trucks to pass. Today, trucks routes are strictly enforced by the Traffic Unit. Commercial vehicle's heavy weight can damage city streets, so it is important that they stay on roads that can handle the weight of the vehicle. In 1954, Arroyo Parkway was renamed the "Pasadena Freeway". Also in the 1950s, the department sported their new "summer" light blue uniforms which were designed for summer comfort. These lightweight uniforms could be worn with or without neckties.

By the 1960s, the last area of the city (Monterey Hills) was being developed and the population increased to about 20,000. This opened up a whole new area of the city to patrol. To help combat the ever growing problem of speeding motorists, the police department started to use radar to enforce traffic laws. This radar unit was mounted in the back of a police car. Today, Lidar has replaced radar for speed enforcement as it uses a laser to identify



enforcement as it uses a laser to identify speeders and is also hand-held, about the size of a hair dryer.

In 1963, the department changed from the .38 caliber revolvers to the more powerful .357 magnum hollowpoint bullets. The standard issue firearm was either a Colt or Smith & Wesson .357 magnum revolver.

In 1964, Lieutenant Jim Simmons organized a department "Precision Shooting Team" which performed for organizations, civic groups, etc., both in and outside of the City. Officers demonstrated their shooting skills at unique moving and stationary targets.

On February 19, 1964, at 3 PM, Officer William Reese was off-duty at the Santa Anita Racetrack in Arcadia when he recognized William and Robert Ferganchick from a wanted bulletin he saw. The Ferganchick brothers were



wanted for 24 armed robberies at banks and other institutions around Southern California, including an armed robbery at the Beneficial Finance Company in South Pasadena. Officer Reese apprehended William and held both at gunpoint until back-up arrived. The FBI was about to place the Ferganchick brothers on their 10 Most Wanted list the following week.

In 1969, the department established a "Cadet" Program, which was a parttime employee. The Cadet would perform duties suitable for non-sworn personnel, relieving sworn personnel for in the field. One of the first cadets was Joseph Payne, who would later become Chief of Police, and Michael Ward, who would later become a Captain in the department.

In 1970, the department established the Explorer program for young people 14 to 21 years of age. The Explorers are affiliated with the Boy Scouts of America and helps guide people to a career in law enforcement.

Also in the 1970s, Smith & Wesson 9 mm, semi-automatic pistols were authorized to be carried on duty.

By the mid-1970s, the old City Hall was deemed unsafe and plans were underway to build a new one. By 1971, the department consisted of 40 employees (34 sworn and six non-sworn personnel) and 34 Reserve Officers.



The solid colored police cars were changed to traditional black and white colors in 1986

The 1980s saw many new changes to the police department. Despite the growth of the city, the department consisted of 41 employees (30 sworn and 11 non-sworn). In 1982, "Belker" joined the police department as its first police canine (Belker was in service for about three years) and in 1986, the all white colored police cars were changed to the traditional "black and white" colored police car that was part of Chief Reese's "Back to Tradition" program.

On October 10, 1984, at about 8 PM, a fire broke out at Ole's Home Center (what is now OSH) which killed four people. Arson Investigators went over in detail the cause of the fire, which was determined to be started on purpose. "Belker" was used to help search for bodies. After years of investigation, John Orr was arrested and convicted with a series of arsons including the Ole's Home Center fire.



LA Times article on Phoebe Ho December 1986



On December 11, 1986, one of the biggest manhunts occurred. Phoebe Ho, a 7 year-old, second grader was walking to Arroyo Vista School, just a few blocks from her house when she was abducted. A few days later, her body was found in Riverside. Detectives worked round the clock and through sex offender profiles and DNA evidence arrested Warren James Bland in San Diego. Warren James Bland was already a career felon and was paroled days before abducting Phoebe Ho for molesting and abducting a 14 year-old boy. Warren James Bland was sentenced to death for the murder of Phoebe Ho.

In 1987, the new City Hall which again housed the police and fire department opened at Mission and Mound

The 1990s continued to bring change to the department with many community related programs beginning. In 1990, the police department held its first Community Fair at Garfield Park. It would later be called the "Safety Fair" and was held in conjunction with Red Ribbon Week. What started as crime prevention awareness would turn into one of the biggest events in the city with over 10,000 people attending. Free food, demonstrations, safety information, helicopters, fire demonstrations would be available for all.





In 1992, the Drug Abuse Resistance Education (DARE) Program started in the elementary schools teaching children the dangers of drugs. Officer Tony Abdalla was the first instructor followed by Officer DeAnn Wheeless and Daren Wong.

On April 29, 1992, the Rodney King riots shocked Los Angeles for nearly a week. South Pasadena was not shielded as the police department was on high alert. As in Los Angeles, looters went to stores taking everything and anything. Several stores were broken into in the city as well as looters returning home to Los Angeles. South Pasadena Police Officers were busy running 12-hour shifts. Reserve Officers were also called to assist as extra patrol officers and station security. To meet the demand of the number of looters some officers even brought their own rifles from home to carry on duty. The South Pasadena Police jail was full of inmates that the "sally port", which is a secured area for a police vehicle, was used to help house arrestees.



In 1993, the department was one of the first to switch the patrol officers working schedule to a 3/12, three days a week at 12 hours a day, with a fourth day required every third week.

In 1995, Chief Mahoney created a full-time Crime Prevention Officer. Two years later, Chief Berkow created the position of Crime Analyst as an additional duty to Crime Prevention.

In 1996, the semi-automatic Glock .40 caliber became the authorized pistol for the department.

In 1998, the canine program restarted and consisted of a patrol dog ("Tommy") and a Scent Evidence Team consisting of a bloodhound ("Tinkerbelle").

On December 23, 1998, three armed men forced their way inside a residence in the 1300 block of Brunswick and kidnapped a nine year-old girl. Police Detectives along with the LA County Sheriff's and FBI helped rescue the nine year-old girl 28 hours later. The three suspects were arrested and the ransom money recovered.

In 2000, the police department assisted in obtaining a grant to help encourage students to walk to school. The grant, worth over \$400,000.00, allowed the construction of sidewalks, curb cuts, crosswalks, the installation of in-pavement crosswalk lights, emergency phones on streets and the installation of flashing beacons.

On August 7, 2000, Sergeant Deann Wheeless and Officer Bill Earley responded to an apartment fire in the 1600 block of Amberwood. The apartment was fully engulfed in flames and the officers entered the apartment and rescued the elderly resident.

In 2002, Colt M4 rifles are equipped in police cars alongside the 12-gauge shotgun.

On September 8, 2003, an armed bank robbery occurred at the Bank of West. One of the suspects dropped a cell phone and after an investigation, four suspects were arrested for the bank robbery. The leader of the gang was a gang member and was responsible for organizing several bank robberies in the Los Angeles area.

Officers receiving awards during a 1994 recognition luncheon



In 2004, the Rotary Club of South Pasadena and South Pasadena Police Officers Association hosted a "Police Recognition Luncheon" honoring police department employees. Medals for bravery, valor and life saving was established.

In 2005, Chief Watson organized an Open House, similar to the Safety Fair, but on a smaller scale. The public was invited to see the police department, obtain crime prevention material, see police demonstrations and a police helicopter. In 2006, the Open House was held in conjunction with the South Pasadena Tournament of Roses Classic Car Show which was a big success. Each year both events attract over 10,000 people. The combined event is still considered one of the biggest events for the city.

On June 14, 2011, South Pasadena Police Officer Kevin Sandoval collapsed and died during a tactical training exercise with the Pasadena Police Department's SWAT Team. Officer Kevin Sandoval was the second South Pasadena Police Officer to die in the line of duty.

In 2012, the department's radio system was enhanced which allowed different agencies in LA County to communicate with each other. Also in 2012, the implementation of the "Wireless 911" system allowed cell phones to automatically contact the police jurisdiction they are in, instead of the California Highway Patrol.

The year 2013 marked the 125 Anniversary of the police department. From the early beginnings we have seen how history has repeated itself in the city. The electric trolley cars of the early 1900s gave way to the current Gold Line and traffic has also been an issue with the city since the early 1900s. Motor officers continue to enforce the speed laws just as Frank Higgins and John Lillick did back in 1909.

Despite the modernization of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century, South Pasadena has continued to maintain its small town atmosphere in part due to the dedication of the men and women of the South Pasadena Police Department.

We would like to thank the following contributors who provided research to the history of the South Pasadena Police Department:

Books: "South Pasadena, A Centennial History" by Jane Apostol
"Images of South Pasadena" by Rick Thomas
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Interviews and documents: William Reese, Chief of Police (retired)
Lt. Ed Godfrey, Los Angeles County Sheriff

Photographs: South Pasadena Public Library





Felony Stop in the 1950s



Felony Stop 62 years later.



Police Call Boxes were used in the early 1900s before two-way radios were in-service. These Call Boxes were located around the city and connected directly to the police dept. Officers would "call" in to report activity, request assistance and receive calls for service.



Today, two-way radios and mobile computer terminals make communications easier and faster. Officers can access a variety of databases from their vehicle. Portable thumbprint readers can quickly identify a subject in minutes.



Range qualification in the 1970s. Pistols and shotguns were the standard firearms in law enforcement at the time.



Range qualification is still an integral part of training. Tactics have changed and are always evolving. Each officer must now learn how to master the pistol, shotgun and M4 rifle, as well as various tactical movements.





Teaching traffic safety for students in the 1950s



Police dispatch in the 1960s.



South Pasadena Police Officers in the 1940s. Their duty belt comprises of a pistol, handcuffs, keys and spare ammunition.



Traffic safety is still taught today for students. The "Every 15 Minute" Program teaches students the dangers of drinking and driving.



Today, dispatchers use computers to aid in dispatching calls for service, recording calls and monitoring the station through surveillance cameras.



Currently, officers can carry as much as 20 pounds of equipment on their duty belt. In addition to the pistol, spare ammunition, handcuffs and keys like their 1940 counterparts, officers carry tasers, OC spray, batons, radios, flashlights and digital recorders.





Motorcycles have been in use since the early 1900s. Even as early as 1909, speeding motorists was a problem in the city. Officers Archie and Leslie Cooper are issuing a citation to a speeding motorist in 1910.



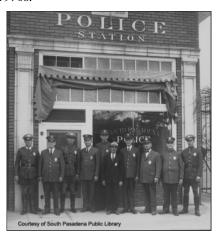
Over 100 years later, Motor Officers Jeff Holland and Andy Dubois have replaced Officers Archie and Leslie Cooper, but still handle the same issues of 100 years ago, speeding motorists. Helmets have replaced caps for better safety.



Reserve Chief Richard Houts conducts an inspection of Reserve Officers in the 1970s.



Chief Miller conducts a formal inspection of Regular and Reserve Officers in 2013.



Officers posing in front of the police station in the 1930s. The location of this police station is where City Hall is presently located today.



Officers posing in front of the current police station. The current police station was completed in 1987.





In 1962, a "Crowd Control Squad" and a "Gas Squad" are organized to function in emergency situations requiring crowd control or crowd disbursement.



Today officers train with neighboring police departments in crowd control. Mounted officers on horses and motorcycles play a key role in crowd control.



South Pasadena Police car in the 1940s. It is equipped with a basic radio and an emergency light.



The newest police car is a 2013 Ford Interceptor. Police cars are now equipped with push bumpers, high-tech electronic equipment, computers, radios, emergency lighting, Lojack, shotgun, M4 rifle, a cage, roll bar and an Automated License Plate Reader.



Officers conduct a traffic accident investigation in the 1940s. Traffic accident reconstruction consisted of a measuring tape and a pencil.



Today traffic accident reconstruction can be done with the aid of computerized software which is capable of 3D animation. Modern surveying equipment also assists in diagramming traffic accident scenes.



## SOUTH PASADENA POLICE PATCHES

When South Pasadena incorporated in 1888, there were no police patches identifying the new police department on uniforms. Only the badge identified the city police department. Police patches were generally not used until the 1940's, especially after the Second World War. Below are the patches that have been used by the South Pasadena Police Department.



This simple design was the first patch used by the police department. It was used between the 1940s to early 1950s.



This design was used for Auxiliary Officers in the 1940s. In 1945, Auxiliary Officers were changed to Reserve Officers.



This design was used from the 1950s to early 1990s and incorporated the California seal.



This design was used in the 1990s. The California seal was replaced with the symbol of South Pasadena, "The City of Trees".



The current patch as it is used today. It replaced the previous patch in late 1990.



A subdued version of the current patch is used on the department's tactical uniform and Special Enforcement Team.



## SOUTH PASADENA POLICE BADGES





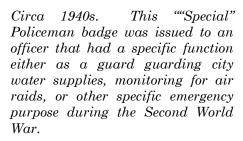


Circa 1888 to 1890s, the City Marshal badges were tin stars similar to the "old west" sheriff badges, as documented by Marshal Cobb's purchase of two "stars" in 1888. While there have been no known photographs of the original stars, this has been created based on the style worn for the time period.

Circa 1890s to 1920s, this was used when the department was still known as Marshals. It was also used in the transitional period between Marshal and Police. This badge was created based on old photographs.

Circa 1920s to 1960s. This design followed the trend of badge designs for the time. Many departments had similar designs as badge makers did not make new badge designs for each department. The eagle was kept at the top of the badge.







Circa 1960 to mid-1970s. This design was similar to the previous design, but with different colors. The bronze color shield was changed to silver and the ribbons were changed to blue.



# SOUTH PASADENA POLICE BADGES



Circa 1940s to 1950s. This badge was issued to Reserve Officers. After the 1960s, Reserve Officers were issued the same badge as regular officers. This badge was similar in design to the first police badges but, was also slightly smaller than the original badge.



To celebrate the millennium a special badge was created that was also personalized with the name of each officer. The badge was only worn for the year 2000.



Circa mid-1970s to 1990s. The shape of the badge changed from the shield to oval, but the colors remained the same. The word "Police Officer" replaced Policeman to make the badge unisex.



In the late 1990s, the badge changed to its current design. The California seal was replaced with the city sea and the City Hall and San Gabriel mountains are in the background.



## **CAPTAINS**

The Police Department is divided into two divisions, Support Services and Field Services.

Captain DeAnn Wheeless supervises the Support Services Division, which consists of civilian and sworn personnel who are responsible for providing service to the public and support to the officers. This includes Records, Detectives, Communications, Evidence/Property, Parking Enforcement and the Emergency Operations Team.



Responsibilities include overseeing follow-up investigations, enforcement of parking ordinances, issuance parking permits, department purchases, facility maintenance, crime analysis, crime prevention and grants management.

DeAnn Wheeless joined the South Pasadena Police department in 1991 after spending two years working as a Deputy for the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department. During her career with the South Pasadena Police Department, she has worked as a Patrol Officer, D.A.R.E Officer and Detectives. In 1995 she promoted to the rank of Sergeant, where she has worked in several assignments including Patrol, Support Services Division, and Office of Professional Standards. DeAnn promoted to the rank of Captain in 2009. DeAnn holds a Master's Degree in Emergency Management from the University of Long Beach.

Sergeant Jim Valencia is currently Acting Captain for the Field Operations Division, which consists of patrol and traffic officers. Both are responsible for maintaining public order, deterring law violations, protecting life and property, and apprehending criminals. There are four patrol shifts staffed with a Sergeant, Corporal and officers.



Sergeant Valencia has been with the department since 1992 and a sergeant since 2005. Sergeant Valencia has previously served in the positions of Patrol Watch

Commander and Detective Supervisor. Sergeant Valencia earned his BS Degree in Business Administration from Cal Poly Pomona and his MS Degree in Emergency Services Administration from Long Beach State.



# **EMPLOYEES - RETIREMENTS**



**Chief Joseph Payne** 38 years of service



Captain Richard Kowaltschuk 37½ years of service



Reserve Officer Jeff Sunshine Service Dates 1988 - 2013 Over 11,000 volunteer hours



Cadet Mark Umutyan Service Dates 2009 - 2013 Hired by Culver City PD as a Police Officer



Cadet Mike Mejia Service Dates 2009 - 2013 Hired by Museum of Tolerance as a Security Officer



# **EMPLOYEES - NEW HIRES**



**Arthur Miller** Hired as Police Chief, February 25, 2013



**Laura Mendez** Hired as Records Clerk, May 2013



Craig Philips
Hired as Reserve Officer, March 2013
Hired as Police Officer, August 2013



**Pablo Ayala** Hired as Reserve Officer, May 2013



**Ryan Hang** Hired as Cadet, May 2013



**Janee Hannible** Hired as Cadet, May 2013



# PERSONNEL ASSIGNMENTS



**Sergeant Jim Valencia**Assigned as Acting Captain,
Field Services Division



**Sergeant Robert Bartl** Assigned as Detective Sergeant



**Sergeant Brian Solinsky**Assigned as Emergency Operations
Management Team Sergeant



Sergeant Tony Abdalla
Assigned as Special Enforcement
Team Commander



Sergeant Michael Neff
Assigned as Special Enforcement Team
Tactical Operations Center Sergeant



# PERSONNEL ASSIGNMENTS



**Corporal Shannon Robledo** Assigned as K9 Handler



Officer Juan Salcido
Assigned as School Resource Officer



Cynthia Pacheco
Hired from part-time to full-time
Police Assistant



**Laura Mendez**Assigned Emergency Operations
Center Team



Idessa Gonzales
Assigned Emergency Operations
Center Team



# EMPLOYEE MILESTONE ANNIVERSARIES

Service pins are awarded to employees with their anniversary years of service shown. The pins are awarded for each five year anniversary. This is a way to recognize employees who have dedicated service to the city.

In 2013, 12 police employees were recognized in reaching milestone anniversaries in their career.



## 25-Years of Service

Detective Frank Litterini Support Services Assistant Peggy Grangetto

### 20-Years of Service

Sergeant Brian Solinsky

## 15-Years of Service

Officer Andrew Dubois Officer Myles Fowlis Officer Randy Wise

## 10-Years of Service

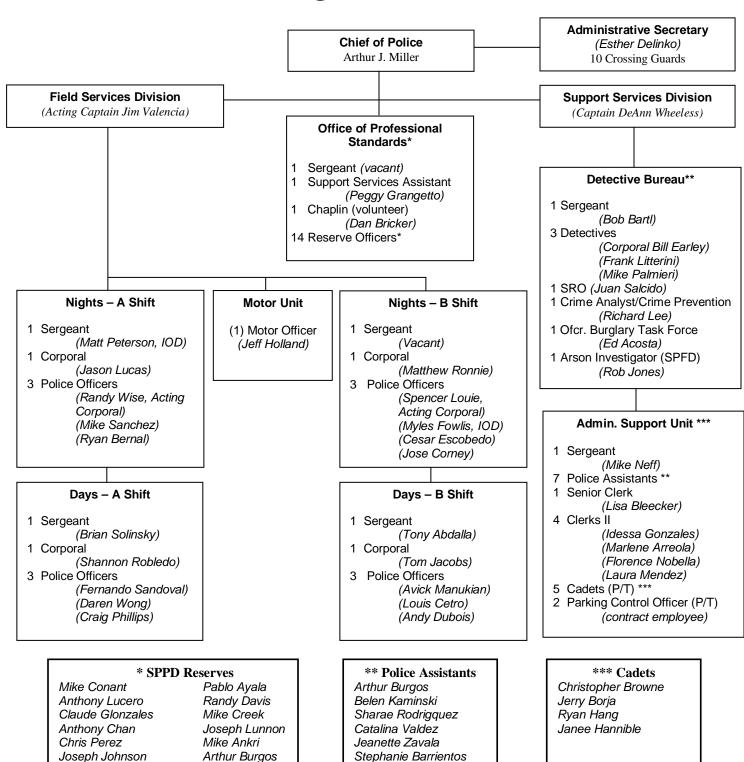
Officer Ceasar Escobedo Detective Michael Palmieri

## 5-Years of Service

Police Assistant Stephanie Villegas-Barrientos Police Assistant Catalina Valdez Police Assistant Jeanette Zavala Police Clerk Idessa Gonzales



# South Pasadena Police Department 2013 Organizational Chart



Cynthia Pacheo

Joseph Hernandez

Aaron Giron



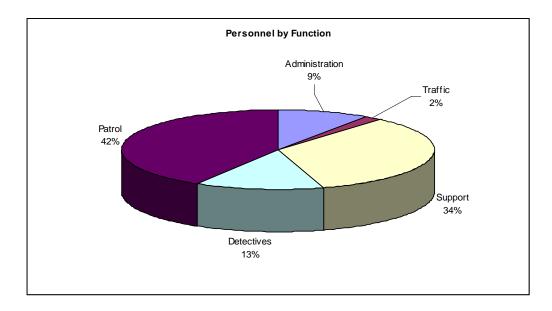
# **DEPARTMENT ORGANIZATION**

The South Pasadena Police Department is comprised of 34 sworn officers (which include captains, sergeants, corporals and the chief of police), 12 non-sworn personnel and five part-time non sworn personnel. The department is augmented with an additional 15 reserve officers and one volunteer chaplain.

Below shows the staffing of the police department:

Chief Of Police	1
Captain	1
Sergeants	7
Corporals	5
Officers/Detectives	20
Police Assistants	7
Clerks	5
Support Services Assistant	1
Administrative Secretary	1
Cadets (part-time)	4
Parking Control Officers (contract service)	2
Reserve Officers	14
Chaplain	1

The chart below shows the personnel by function:





## PART ONE CRIMES

Part One Crimes in 2013 increased 32% compared to 2012. By raw numbers, there was an increase of 170 Part One crimes. The chart below shows the comparisons of Part One crimes:

	2012	2013	% Change
Homicide	0	0	Not Calculable
Rape	6	3	-50%
Robbery	13	16	23%
Aggravated Assaults	57	93	63%
Burglary	118	170	44%
Larceny-Theft	277	342	23%
Stolen Vehicles	48	51	6%
Arson	6	20	233%
Total	525	695	<b>32</b> %

It should be noted that because we are calculating with small numbers, the percentile increases/decrease are large which may not reflect the true raw numbers.

#### **CRIME CLEARANCE**

The 2013 Crime Clearance rate was 14.7%, which was down from 2012 Crime Clearance rate of 21.1%. The average of 14.7% still meets the recommended Uniform Crime Reports Crime Clearance rate standard of 14%.

Clearance rates are cases where the suspect has been identified and the case solved either through an arrest, filing or cleared by exceptional means.

### **HOMICIDE**

There was no homicide in 2013. In 2012, a fatal traffic collision occurred which was incorrectly reported as a Homicide. The motorist was arrested for vehicle manslaughter by negligence.



#### **RAPE**

Rapes decreased 50% in 2013 (three occurred in 2013 vs. six in 2012). Rapes were the only Part One Crime that showed a decrease between 2013 and 2012.

All three incidents were categorized as "Non-Stranger" relationships. The suspect was known to the victim, either through a friendship or acquaintance relationship.

#### **ROBBERY**

Robberies increased 23% in 2013, an increase of three robberies from 2012. Of the 16 robberies that occurred in 2013, the suspect was arrested in four of the incidents.

As in 2012, street robberies were the most common type in 2013, accounting for 37% (six in raw numbers). Compared to 2012, street robberies declined overall as they accounted for 54% of the robberies in 2012. Shoplifting that turned into robberies (robberies are defined as taking property by force or fear), as the suspect fought with store employees, were closely behind accounting for 25% (four in raw numbers). Robberies at a residence were third with businesses fourth, followed by carjacking.

One of the robberies at a residence occurred between a mother and son fighting over a cell phone. The mother took the cell phone away from her son, and the son took the phone back by force.

The second robbery at a residence occurred when the victim returned home and interrupted a burglary already inside the home. The suspects quickly apprehended the victim and threatened the victim with a knife.

The third robbery at a residence occurred while the victim was home and heard noises coming from his garage. The victim entered the garage and saw the suspect attempting to steal a bicycle. The victim and suspect struggled before the suspect was pushed down a hillside and ran away.

As in 2012, one carjacking occurred in 2013. The victim returned home and was met by the suspect who took the victim's vehicle.

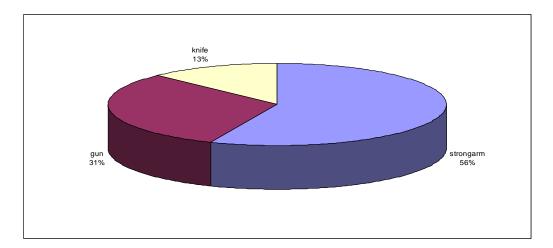


The chart below shows the robberies by types:

Type of Robbery	Number
Shoplift	4
Carjack	1
Residence	3
Street	6
Business	2

By the type of weapon used, hands were the most common type. They were used in nine of the robberies. Guns were second and used in five of the robberies, followed by a knife as used in two robberies. While hands were the most common weapon used in 2012, the number of guns and knives increased in 2013. Compared to 2012, a knife was used once and guns were used in two of the robberies.

The chart below shows the weapon used in robberies:



#### **ASSAULTS**

Assaults increased 63% in 2013 (93 occurred in 2013 compared to 57 in 2012). This was the second highest Part One Crime after Arsons in 2013.

Assaults are divided into five categories depending on the weapon used to inflict the bodily injury. The categories are firearm, knife or cutting instrument, other dangerous weapon, hands (fists, feet and teeth) and other simple, not aggravated. Domestic Violence is also included in Assaults.

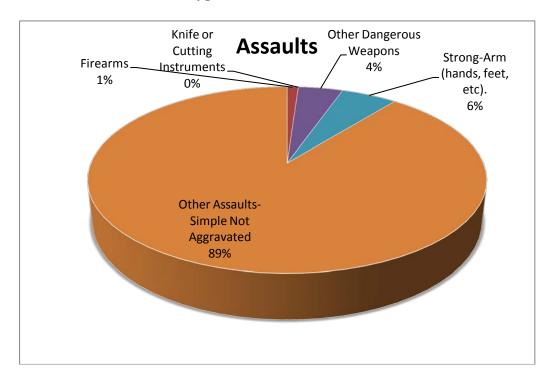
In 2013, the category "other simple, not aggravated assaults" accounted for 90% of the types of assaults. Hands were the most common weapon used



which covers everything from a push to grabbing the victim. Other items used in assaults in 2013 were cup/glass, phone, chair, club, vehicle, wheelchair and a firearm.

The assault with a deadly weapon involving a firearm resulted in the death of the suspect. This incident was referred to the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department for investigation.

The chart below shows the types of assaults for 2013:



#### BURGLARIES

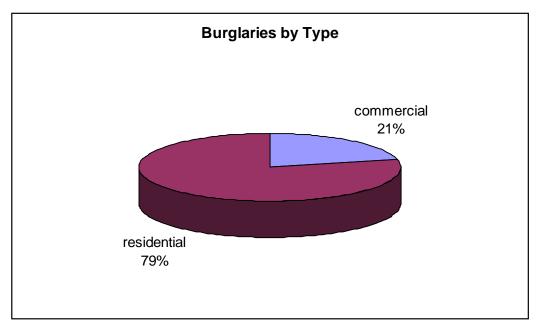
In 2013, there was an increase of 44% in burglaries which include both commercial and residential.

Residential burglaries accounted for the majority of the burglaries, accounting for near 80%. This trend was consistent with 2012, when residential burglaries accounted for 81% of the total burglaries. The chart on the next page shows the breakdown by category.

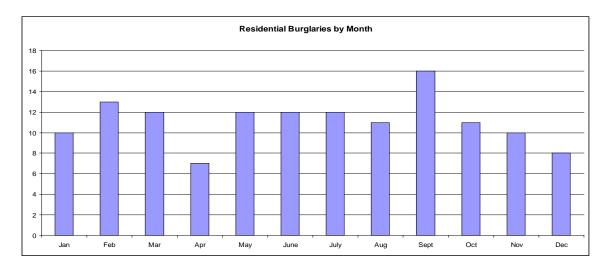
The total number of burglaries in 2013 was 170, with 134 residential burglaries and 36 commercial burglaries.

Residential burglaries increased 41% in 2013 (134 occurred in 2013, 95 occurred in 2012).





Residential burglaries were consistent throughout the year with September having the highest number of residential burglaries in one month with 16. The summer months saw a consistent amount with May through July each having 12 residential burglaries and August having 11. The chart below shows the number of residential burglaries for each month of 2013:



The average number of residential burglaries in 2013 increased to 11 per month, compared to 10 per month in 2012.

As in 2012, by beat area, beat four had the highest number of residential burglaries accounting for 40% of the burglaries. The southern area of the city (south of Monterey Road) had the highest number of residential burglaries



occur accounting for 70% of the residential burglaries. The chart below breaks down the number of residential burglaries by beat area:

Beat Area	Number
One	26
Two	21
Three	30
Four	57

Method of entry by force has increased within the past three years. In 2012, entry by force accounted for 34% and in 2013, entry by forced was 48%. While this shows that more and more residents are taking the time to secure their home, it also shows that suspects are taking the time to use force entry into homes. Common use of force entry in 2013 was forcing a French door open, prying a sliding door, or smashing a window to gain entry. In one incident, a suspect used a ladder to gain access to the victim's second floor window to gain entry.

In 2013, only 4% (six) of the homes burglarized had alarms. This is the same percentage of the homes that had alarms in 2012. Of the six homes in 2013 that had alarms, only one did not activate the alarm. This shows that some burglars will still make entry, even with an alarm advertised.

The Burglary Suppression Unit continued to operate for its second year, although the name was changed to Predictive Policing. Created in 2011, one officer is assigned to patrol the areas of where the highest concentration/predicted areas of burglaries might occur. This officer is relieved of answering calls for service and allows the officer to concentrate in the specific target area.

#### LARCENY-THEFT

Larceny-Thefts are simple thefts that include pick-pockets, shoplifting, thefts from unlocked vehicles, theft of motor vehicle parts, bicycles, theft from buildings, theft from coin operated machines and others.

Larceny-Thefts increased 23% from 277 in 2012 to 342 in 2013. As in 2012, thefts of bicycles, thefts from unlocked vehicles, auto burglaries and shoplifting from businesses were the most common types of thefts in 2013. Bicycle thefts continue to be a growing problem around San Gabriel Valley for 2013.



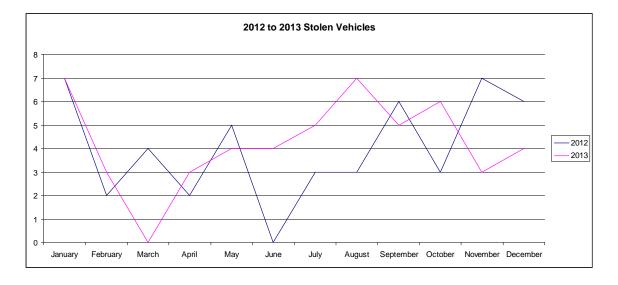
Liquor was again the most popular item shoplifted from stores, followed by food products and toiletry items. Laundry detergent and baby formula were also popular items for theft.

#### STOLEN VEHICLE

There was a 6% increase in stolen vehicles for 2013. There were 51 vehicles stolen in 2013, compared to 48 in 2012.

The per month average also increased to five, compared to four stolen vehicle per month for 2012. January and August had the highest number of stolen vehicles occur in a single month with seven occurring in both months.

The chart below shows the comparison between 2012 and 2013.

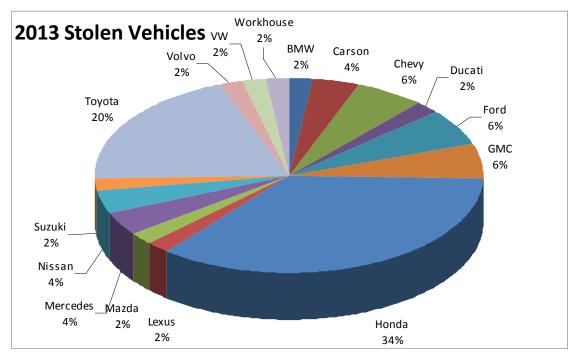


#### **Hot Hondas**

For over a decade, Hondas continue to be the most popular vehicle stolen in South Pasadena. In 2013, Hondas accounted for 35% of all vehicles stolen. This is a drop as Hondas have previously accounted for over 50% of all vehicles stolen. Toyotas are again the second most popular vehicle stolen in South Pasadena accounting for 20%, followed by Chevy, Ford and GMC accounting for 6%. This is the first time that American made vehicles made the top three stolen vehicles in South Pasadena as previously it had been Honda, Toyota and Acura in the top three.



The chart below shows the breakdown of vehicles by make:



In 2013, by make and model, the Honda Accord was the most popular vehicle stolen followed by the Honda Civic and Toyota Camry.

By year of vehicles, the mid-1990s year vehicles were the most popular vehicles stolen in 2013. The 1996 Honda Accord was the most popular vehicle by year, make and model.

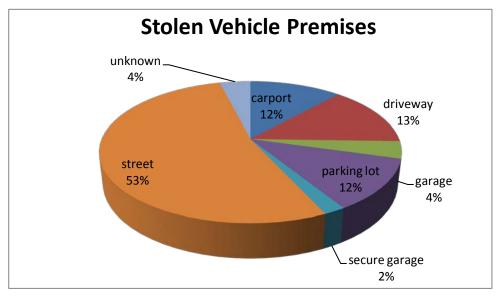
#### **Premises**

In 2013, the premises where the majority of the vehicles were stolen from were the streets. Vehicles parked on the streets accounted for 52% of where vehicles were stolen from. While this trend has not changed from the past years, the percentage has dropped from 62% in 2012.

Vehicles left parked in an unsecured area accounted for 94% of where vehicles were stolen. Vehicles left parked in a secure subterranean garage accounted for only 2% of the vehicles stolen.

Vehicles parked in driveways were the second type of premises where vehicles were stolen followed by carports and parking lots. The chart on the next page shows the breakdown by premises:





Multi-unit residential complexes (apartment and condominiums) continues to be the most targeted areas where vehicles are stolen accounting for 59%. In 2012, multi-unit residential complexes accounted for 60%. This is largely due to the lack of secure parking and tenants/residents have to park in the streets, or open carports. Single-family residences accounted for 27%, where vehicles were again parked on the street or driveway, followed by commercial parking lots accounting for 14%. Vehicles stolen from commercial parking lots rose in 2013, as they accounted for only 11% in 2012.

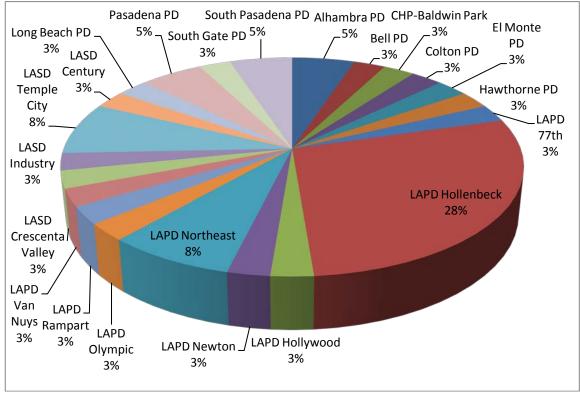
#### STOLEN VEHICLE RECOVERY

As of January 22, 2014, 91% of the vehicles stolen in 2013 have been recovered (only four vehicles have not been recovered), with LAPD Hollenbeck again recovering most of our stolen vehicles with 28%. In 2012, LAPD Hollenbeck recovered 20% of our stolen vehicles.

LAPD Northeast and LASD Temple City each recovered 8% of our stolen vehicles. The chart on the next page shows the police agencies that recovered our stolen vehicles.

Of the 51 stolen vehicles, 20% (ten) were stripped of minor or major components. This indicates that the suspect(s) who are stealing vehicles in South Pasadena are doing so for "joyriding" purposes.





#### **ARSONS**

Arsons had the greatest change in 2013. Compared to 2012, there was a 233% increase in Arsons (6 in 2012, 20 in 2013), however, one suspect was responsible for igniting all 20 Arsons in 2013, including three in 2012.

The suspect first started in November 2012 and after five months of investigation with assistance from Pasadena Fire, South Pasadena Fire and the West San Gabriel Valley Anti-Crime Task Force apprehended the suspect in April 2013.



#### CALLS FOR SERVICE

The following pages show the 2012-2013 Part One Crime and various categories of calls for service:

#### 2012-2013 Part One Crimes

	2012	2013	% Change
Homicide	0	0	Not Calculable
Rape	6	3	-50%
Robbery	13	16	23%
Assault	57	93	63%
Burglary	118	170	44%
Larceny-Theft	277	342	23%
GTA	48	51	6%
Arson	6	20	233%
Total	Total 525 695 32.4%		32.4%

#### **Crime Clearance**

2012	2013	% Change			
21.1%	14.67%	-30%			

#### Arrests

Arrests	2012	2013	% Change
Adult	1158	949	-18
Juveniles	58	43	-26%
Total	1216	992	-18%

#### **Traffic Accidents**

<b>Traffic Collisions</b>	2012	2013	% Change
Injury	63	75	19%
Injury hit and run	4	4	0%
Non-Injury	52	53	2%
Non-Injury hit and run	22	25	14%
Fatal	1	0	-100%
Total	142	157	11%



#### Citations

Citations	2012	2013	% Change
Citations	4138	3220	-22%
Parking	10880	10199	-6%
Warnings	12	9	-25%
Arrive Alive	28	0	-100%
Others	950	677	-29%
Total	16008	14105	-12%

**Agency Assist** 

Agency Assist	2012	2013	% Change
Assist Fire	644	463	-28%
Assist Outside Agency	572	428	-25%
Assist Outside Agency			
911 Transfer	841	1401	67%

**Telephone Calls** 

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Calls	2012	2013	% of Change				
Inbound 911 Calls	6331	7099	12%				
Inbound Landline Calls	36933	35072	-5%				
Total Inbound Calls	43264	42188	-2%				
Total Outbound Calls	17332	16246	-6%				
Total							
Inbound/Outbound							
Calls	60596	58434	-4%				



#### **Selected Calls for Service**

Selected Calls for Service							
Calls for Service	2012	2013	% Change				
Robbery Alarms	69	85	23%				
Burglar Alarms							
(vehicle, residential &							
commercial)	1013	1134	12%				
Domestic Disputes							
(Domestic Violence,							
family, boy/girlfriend)	170	208	22%				
Suspicious Persons							
(pedestrian & vehicle)	1382	1378	2%				
Extra Patrol	3258	2529	-22%				
Traffic Stops	7936	5425	-32%				
Special Traffic							
Enforcement	9	4	-56%				
Foot Beats	56	52	-7%				
Vehicles Booted							
(5 or more park cites)	36	20	-44%				
Outside Agency Assist	530	428	-19%				
Welfare Checks	201	261	30%				
Disturbance (parties,							
families, neighbors,							
business disputes)	958	1041	9%				
DUI Arrests	167	76	-54%				
Predictive Policing	Not Used	375	Not Calculable				
K9 Demo	Not Tracked	2	-				
K9 Deployment	Not Tracked	30	-				
K9 Training	Not Tracked	6	-				
Total CAD Calls	31216	23450	-25%				



## **Part One Crimes**

#### 2013

	Robbery		Burglary (commercial & residential)		Larceny			Motor Vehicle Theft				
	2012	2013	%	2012	2013	%	2012	2013	%	2012	2013	%
January	1	0	-100%	10	12	20%	27	29	7%	7	7	0%
February	1	1	0%	9	15	67%	16	25	56%	2	3	50%
March	2	1	-50%	4	17	325%	30	25	-17%	4	0	-100%
April	1	0	-100%	12	9	-25%	23	17	-26%	2	3	50%
May	2	1	-50%	11	24	118%	20	31	55%	5	4	-20%
June	2	1	-50%	11	13	18%	23	25	9%	0	4	NOT CAL
July	1	3	200%	18	15	-17%	21	24	14%	3	5	67%
August	0	3	NOT CAL	8	13	63%	23	25	9%	3	7	133%
September	1	1	0%	8	18	125%	15	28	87%	6	5	-17%
October	2	1	-50%	8	14	75%	32	43	34%	3	6	100%
November	0	2	NOT CAL	8	11	38%	20	42	110%	7	3	-57%
December	0	2	NOT CAL	11	9	-18%	27	28	4%	6	4	-33%
TOTALS	13	16	23%	118	170	44%	277	342	23%	48	51	6%
Average	1.1	1.3	23%	9.8	14.2	44%	23.1	28.5	23%	4.0	4.3	6%
ANNUAL												
High	2	3		18	24		32	43		7	7	
Low	0	0		4	9		15	17		0	0	
Mean	1	1.5		11.0	16.5		23.5	30.0		3.5	3.5	



# Part One Crimes (continued) 2013

		Murd	er	Rape		Aggravated Assault			Arson			
	2012	2013	%	2012	2013	%	2012	2013	%	2012	2013	%
January	0	0	NOT CAL	0	0	NOT CAL	3	7	133%	0	1	NOT CAL
February	0	0	NOT CAL	2	1	-50%	5	6	20%	1	0	-100%
March	0	0	NOT CAL	0	2	NOT CAL	5	5	0%	0	3	NOT CAL
April	0	0	NOT CAL	0	0	NOT CAL	5	8	60%	1	15	1400%
May	0	0	NOT CAL	0	0	NOT CAL	9	7	-22%	0	1	NOT CAL
June	0	0	NOT CAL	0	0	NOT CAL	4	10	150%	0	0	NOT CAL
July	0	0	NOT CAL	0	0	NOT CAL	4	13	225%	0	0	NOT CAL
August	0	0	NOT CAL	0	0	NOT CAL	3	9	200%	0	0	NOT CAL
September	0	0	NOT CAL	1	0	-100%	2	9	350%	0	0	NOT CAL
October	0	0	NOT CAL	0	0	NOT CAL	6	6	0%	0	0	NOT CAL
November	0	0	NOT CAL	1	0	-100%	5	5	0%	3	0	-100%
December	0	0	NOT CAL	2	0	-100%	6	8	33%	1	0	-100%
TOTALS	0	0	NOT CAL	6	3	-50%	57	93	63%	6	20	233%
Average	0.0	0	NOT CAL	0.5	0.3	-50%	4.8	7.8	63%	0.5	1.7	233%
ANNUAL												
High	0	0		2	2		9	13		3	15	
Low	0	0		0	0		2	5		0	0	
Mean	0	0		1	1		5.5	9		1.5	7.5	

YTD	2012	2013	%
Jan-Dec.	525	695	32.4%



## **PATROL**

Patrol is the core of the police department with the majority of its personnel in a patrol assignment.

Patrol Officers respond to all calls for service in addition to patrolling the city and assisting detectives in servicing local warrants.



In addition to responding to calls for service, patrol officers also conduct vacation

checks, take the initial crime reports, collect evidence, dust for fingerprints and also conduct preliminary follow-up investigations. In cases where more detailed collection of evidence is needed, Pasadena Police Department's Forensics Team is notified to assist.

Patrol units are equipped with the Automated License Plate Reader (ALPR) which alerts officers to stolen vehicles by scanning vehicles license plates. Four cameras are mounted on each vehicle which can scan numerous license plates simultaneously. The ALPR has assisted in recovering numerous stolen vehicles.

To help free officers in the field, the department implemented an online reporting program. In the first year of operation 174 reports were made, with 152 that were filed. The other 22 online reports were referred to outside agencies as the crime was found not to have occurred in the city.

A patrol shift consists of a Watch Commander, who handles day-to-day operations, and a minimum of three officers. Patrol was down three officers for most of 2013 due to injuries or leave, which meant officers had to work additional shifts.

In an emergency, officers are able to respond anywhere in the city within a few minutes. This guick response time has resulted in some notable arrests.

On February 2, 2013, officers responded to a person attempting to jump off the bridge at Fair Oaks Avenue onto the 110 freeway. Officers quickly arrived and grabbed the suicidal person off the bridge.

On March 26, 2013, officers locate suspect's vehicle which match the description of a recent parcel package theft suspects. Officers stop vehicle



and suspects are in possession of stolen parcel packages from Los Angeles. Suspects are also in possession of narcotics.

On April 12, 2013, officers investigate a suspicious vehicle parked on the street. Three of the four suspects in the vehicle are found to be on probation and a search of the vehicle reveals stolen jewelry, cash and a California State Assembly flat badge. Suspects are found to have committed two distraction burglaries in Long Beach a few days prior.

On November 26, 2013, at about 3:40 AM, a resident reported a suspicious vehicle occupied by two suspects. Officers immediately responded and located one suspect who was found to be on parole. The second suspect was located around the corner and immediately ran away. With the assistance of Alhambra and San Marino PD, the second suspect was found hiding in a rear yard. It was found that the suspects had just entered an unlocked vehicle and took a purse.



Report writing is an important part of a patrol officer's job.





The Watch Commander's vehicle (Chevy Tahoe) is specially equipped to assist patrol officers in the field. The vehicle has spare radios, batteries, computer and a video down link system. The video down link works with air support, which enables patrol officers to get an aerial view of the scene.



## **DETECTIVE BUREAU**

The Detective Bureau is the investigative branch of the police department and is primarily responsible for conducting follow-up investigations on criminal cases in order to ensure successful prosecutions. The follow-up work required on cases typically includes (but not limited to) analyzing evidence, contacting and interviewing witnesses. preparing and serving search and arrest warrants, and contacting and coordinating with outside agencies. Detectives also file the



search warrant

criminal cases with the LA County District Attorney's Office and assist patrol in responding to emergency calls for service, arrange extradition of suspects from out of county/out of state, and at times speak to the media regarding certain cases.



Detective Palmieri presenting a safety talk on Identity Theft/Check Fraud

The Detective Bureau is currently staffed by a supervising Sergeant, a corporal, three fulltime detectives, one detective/School Resource Officer, one detective/crime analyst/crime prevention officer and an arson investigator.

Surveillance videos continue to be a great asset in identifying suspects. Surveillance videos are posted on the department's YouTube website as well as being sent to the

media. Still photos are often made from the surveillance video and placed on crime bulletins.

Forensics examinations (DNA) is becoming a valuable tool to fight crime.

The Los Angeles County Sheriff's and Pasadena Police Department are the two agencies that help process DNA evidence.

Two of the full-time detectives are also certified Arson Investigators and assist in the investigations of causes of fires. Together they assisted in the investigation of ten arsons that occurred outside of the city. Arson Investigator Rob Jones is a South Pasadena Fire Department Engineer who also investigates the causes of fires within the Verdugo-Foothill District





(which is comprised of the cities of Burbank, Glendale, Pasadena, Sierra Madre, Monrovia, Arcadia, San Marino, San Gabriel, South Pasadena, Alhambra, Montebello and Monterey Park).

In one of the biggest arson cases since the Ole's Hardware Center fire of 1984, South Pasadena Police Detectives and Arson Investigators from neighboring cities spent months investigating a serial arsonist that spanned from November 2012 to April 2013. The arsonist was responsible for over 20 fires and was finally arrested.

With Identity Theft growing rapidly each year, Detectives made several presentations to the community regarding identity theft and fraud.

#### West San Gabriel Valley Anti-Crime Task Force

One of the full-time detectives is assigned to the West San Gabriel Valley Anti-Crime Task Force (WSGVACTF). The WSGVACTF assists San Gabriel Valley police departments with various operations. Founded in 2012, to provide a more regional task force against burglaries in the San Gabriel Valley, the WSGVACTF has grown to assist in a number of operations, including burglary suppression, parole/probation/AB 109 compliance checks, surveillances, and warrant service.

The WSGVACTF is comprised of Arcadia, Pasadena, Monrovia, El Monte, Monterey Park, Alhambra, Montebello, San Gabriel and South Pasadena Police Departments.

#### **School Resource Officer**

Detective Juan Salcido is assigned as the department's School Resource Officer (SRO). The SRO's primary responsibility is the schools while also investigating juvenile crimes. The SRO also assists with school activities to help build a positive relationship with the students. Detective Salcido also served as assistant



Detective Salcido coaching freshman football players

football coach for the high school's freshman football team.

The SRO is responsible for coordinating the "Every 15 Minutes" program with the high school. The program offers real life experience designed to show teenagers the dangerous consequences of drinking and driving. A student is removed from class every 15 minutes and an obituary is read to



the classmates, explaining the circumstances of the student's demise and the contributions the student has made to the school and community.

A simulated alcohol related traffic collision is displayed to further enhance the reality of the program as well as a death notification made to the parents.

The program stress that the decision to drink alcohol can affect many people, not just the one who drinks.

#### Images from the 2013 Every 15 Minutes





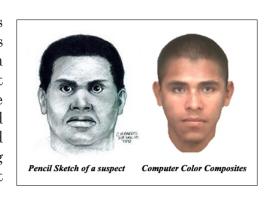




#### Crime Prevention/Crime Analysis

Detective Richard Lee is the Crime Prevention and Crime Analyst, which is a combined unit with one detective handling both duties while also handling a detective case load.

Crime Analysis involves analyzing crimes for patterns, trends, series and provides information on how to deploy resources in an effective manner. The Crime Analyst also maintains crime statistics for the department, intelligence gathering and sharing with neighboring agencies and registers sex, arson, narcotics and gang registrants in the city. The Crime Analyst





also performs the computer composites of suspects. Using the ComPhoto Plus II composite program, computer generated composites enable a more realistic picture of the suspect over traditional pencil sketches. The Crime Analyst also assists outside agencies in generating computer composites of suspects.

The Crime Analyst transfers videos to a digital format to be used as still photos, as well as generating and distributing crime bulletins to the community and surrounding agencies.

Maintaining the police department's website is also part of the Crime Analyst duties as well as preparing the department's annual report.

Crime Prevention is the community outreach program to educate ways to prevent crime from happening through literature, public speaking, station tours and events. Crime Prevention also assists in sending out Nixle alerts to the community.

Crime Prevention performs Home Security Inspections free of charge. The officer will walk through a home and recommend ways to better secure it.

The Weekly Crime Summary and monthly Neighborhood Watch Newsletters provide information on recent crime trends and crime prevention tips. This is sent to the media, Neighborhood Watch groups, schools, community and also available on the department's website.

The Neighborhood Watch program is the core of the crime prevention programs. With over 60 Neighborhood Watch groups in the city, the residents are the "eyes and ears" of the police department. Through Neighborhood Watch, residents learn about various crime prevention tips and learn how to report suspicious activity.

Chief Miller met with the Neighborhood Watch Block Captains during a Block meeting Captains and spoke about expanding the program. The South Pasadena Public Safety Commission assisted with expanding the Neighborhood Watch group by helping to organize a Neighborhood Watch Canvas Day. Members of the police department, Public Safety Commissioners, Block Captains and volunteers walked the spoke residents about city and to participating in Neighborhood Watch. Free





t-shirts were given to all volunteers, courtesy of Ellen's Silkscreening. The Public Safety Commission also helped promote Neighborhood Watch during the city's Concert in the Park.

The Community Patrol program is a volunteer organization where patrol members walk around schools and businesses reporting suspicious activity. Patrol members are not armed and wear a tan colored vest and cap for identification.

The Crime Prevention Unit is also responsible for coordinating the annual Open House. Held in conjunction with the South Pasadena Tournament of Roses Classic Car Show, the police and fire departments open their doors to the public for guided tours. Various outside agencies participate and provide safety information. The free event also provided the public with free police bags, child fingerprints, souvenir photographs, helicopter landings, police and fire demonstrations and a chance to meet the canines up close. The Tournament of Roses Classic Car Show is lined up on Mission Street and helps bring in a large crowd of over 10,000 people. The department's Honor Guard assists with opening ceremonies for the day.

#### Images from the 2013 Police and Fire Open House





















## ADMINISTRATIVE SERGEANT

Sergeant Mike Neff oversees administrative, technical and supervisory tasks related to staff support for the department. He supervises the Dispatch E-911 Center and the Records Division. He works closely with staff with parking permit policies, procedures, and enforcement. In addition he works with outside vendors to maintain and upgrade the department's technical and tactical equipment through budget funding, securing State and Federal Grants. As with most agencies, budgets restraints continue to be a challenge for police agencies across the nation and South Pasadena is no exception. As we work with Law Enforcement venders we are routinely requested to beta test products. During 2013, we have been very successful obtaining several hundred thousand dollars in funding for "First Responders". Without these funding sources our agencies wouldn't have the opportunity to purchase the needed safety equipment for our officers such as items pictured below.

- Tahoe (outfitted to operate tactical operations and natural disasters)
- ALPR (4-patrol units are equipped with automated license plate reader systems)
- Radios (capable of communicating with surrounding agencies)
- Tactical Equipment (rifles, tactical shields, and TASERS and radios)
- 9-1-1 Communications (upgrades for computer, radios, headsets)
- Online Software Programs (file police reports online, purchase reports)















## **COMMUNITY POLICING**

Because South Pasadena is a small and diverse city, the South Pasadena Police Department utilizes a Community Policing strategy. Unlike its neighboring large scale cities (Los Angeles, Pasadena and Alhambra), the South Pasadena Police Department develops programs that are unique to its small town atmosphere.

Community Policing integrates police officers with residents and business owners in the community to help stop crime. Neighborhood Watch has been one of the most successful Community Policing programs where residents call the police on suspicious activity or crimes in progress.

Community Policing programs comes not only from the chief, but from all officers in the department. Some of the programs that started in 2013 were:

• Waste Watch – Developed by Corporal Matthew Ronnie, the Waste Watch Program involves Athens Disposal employees to help report suspicious activity and crime. Since Athens is the only disposal company in the city, which goes to each household to pick up waste on a daily basis, the employees can easily see and report suspicious activity in residential and business communities.



Safety Cards given to each Athens Worker



Corporal Ronnie explaining the program To Athens Workers

• Farmers Market – Developed by Sergeant Brian Solinsky in an effort to promote and meet officers of the department, the police department staffs a booth at the weekly Farmers Market on the second Thursday of each month. The venue allows the public to speak and meet officers on a positive level. Crime prevention material is distributed out as well as fielding an array of questions from traffic safety to current crime trends.





• Bicycle Detail – The South Pasadena Police Bicycle Unit is opened to both Regular and Reserve Officers. Four new bicycles were purchased through a grant and officers selected for the detail completed the rigoriuous Los Angeles Police Department's bicycle training program. Though the detail was originally focused on the business district as a way to quickly move within the business district, the detail has expanded to include residential area and use in special details like the Open House and Holiday Business Patrol. During the Holiday Business Patrol there were no robberies that occurred to any of the businesses.











## FOOTHILL AIR SUPPORT TEAM

The South Pasadena Police Department continued their involvement with the Foothill Air Support Program (FAST).

FAST is a regional Air Support partnership founded in 1999 by the Pasadena Chief of Police Bernard Melekian. FAST provides a regional law enforcement helicopter air support program to enhance public safety service in the San Gabriel Valley. FAST also assist with Homeland Security checks at major sporting events in the San Gabriel Valley.



Currently, FAST is a partnership between the cities of Alhambra, Arcadia, Covina, Glendora, Monrovia, Pasadena, Pomona, San Marino, Sierra Madre and South Pasadena.

Participation in FAST requires each agency to provide an officer as an observer, called a "Tactical Flight Officer" (TFO). TFOs monitor radio transmissions from the partnering cities and prioritize which calls to respond to.

FAST flies both the Hughes 500D or Bell Helicopters. Both are equipped

with Night Vision Goggles and Forward Looking Infrared (FLIR) systems, which allow thermal imaging and can detect body heat of suspects at night. The Hughes helicopter is equipped with a Video Downlink System, which provides ground units live feed of an aerial view.

Corporal Shannon Robledo is the department's Tactical Flight Officer and has more than 1,900 flight hours.



Tactical Flight Officer Shannon Robledo



## **HONOR GUARD**

The South Pasadena Police Department's Honor Guard serves to escort the US and State flag in local ceremonial events. Headed by Sergeant Michael Neff and comprised of volunteers, officers of the Honor Guard are ambassadors of the department. They represent the professionalism and positive image of the police department.

Some of the events that the Honor Guard has performed in are the South Pasadena Tournament of Roses Classic Car Show, Memorial Service for Officer Kevin Sandoval, Washington D.C. National Police Week, and the First Annual Police Department Inspection.











## **DEPARTMENT INSPECTION**

On June 3, 2013, the police department held a formal inspection of all the officers (regulars and reserves) in front of the mayor, council members, city officials and residents.

Mia Heatley, a South Pasadena High School student, sang the Pledge of allegiance and South Pasadena Police Chaplin Dan Bricker gave the Invocation before Chief Miller spoke.

A department photograph with all employees was conducted at the conclusion of the event.



Chief Miller speaks to the public regarding the department inspection



South Pasadena Police Department – 1955 "Summer Blue Uniforms"



Police Chief Arthur Miller inspects Officer Louis Cetro.



South Pasadena Police Department - 2013



## IN MEMORY

In 125 years of service to the community, two South Pasadena Police Officers gave their lives in the line of duty.

Officer Ray Rogers died on April 15, 1944 in a traffic collision during a pursuit on the 110 freeway.

Officer Kevin Sandoval died on June 14, 2011 during a joint tactical training exercise with Pasadena Police Department.



To honor Officers Ray Rogers and Kevin Sandoval, Chief Miller authorized officers to wear a special memorial band with the initials of both officers on their badge. The band was worn during National Police Week (May 12-18, 2013). National Police Week is a collaborative effort of many organizations dedicated to paying special recognition to law enforcement officers who have lost their lives in the line of duty for the safety and protection of others. In 1962, President Kennedy proclaimed May 15<sup>th</sup> as National Peace Officers Memorial Day.



Officer Ray Rogers End of Watch April 15, 1944



Officer Kevin Sandoval End of Watch June 14, 2011



## **COLORS RUN**

On October 21, 2013, Los Angeles County Sheriff's Academy Recruit Class 395 conducted a "Colors Run" through South Pasadena.

It is a tradition that each Los Angeles County Sheriff's Academy Class organizes a "Colors Run" in honor of a fallen law enforcement officer.

Los Angeles County Sheriff's Academy Class 395 selected to honor South Pasadena Police Officer Kevin Sandoval for their "Colors Run". In addition to the academy class, over 100



family, friends and supporters participated in the 5.5 mile through the city.

At the conclusion of the run, a plaque honoring Officer Kevin Sandoval was unveiled at Garfield Park, where a tree had been planted in his name.











## TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT

The South Pasadena Police Traffic Unit consists of two motorcycle officers whose primary job is traffic enforcement, traffic safety, traffic education and traffic accident investigation. They are equipped with the latest equipments: portable vehicle scales, Lidar, and an electronic surveying tool which allows a re-creation of a traffic collision in three dimensions. However, due to a shortage of patrol officers, one motor officer was temporarily reassigned to patrol.



The Traffic Unit continued enforcement of commercial vehicles by having

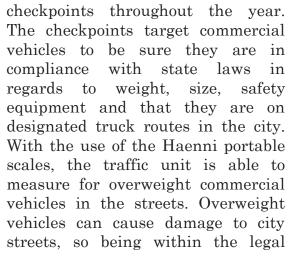


Motor Officer Holland on a traffic stop

weight is important.

Checkpoints were held with assisting agencies from Glendale Police Department and the California Highway Patrol.

The Traffic Unit participates with neighboring agencies in conducting Pedestrian Operation Enforcements which target motorists that fail to yield to pedestrians. Several enforcements were conducted in the city in 2013.





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## **DUI ENFORCEMENT**

With over 23,000 people killed each year by alcohol related traffic accidents, the South Pasadena Police Department takes a strong stance on DUIs. In 2013, there were 76 DUI arrests. There was also four DUI Checkpoints that were funded by the Office of Traffic Safety.











## CANINE

In 2013, the South Pasadena Police Department K-9 Unit suffered the loss of two of its K-9s.

After eight years of service, "Rex" passed away of cancer. "Rex" was trained in locating persons and in detecting explosives. "Rex" was a welcome addition in the community, interacting with children and parents at community functions and station tours.

"AnnaBelle" also passed away after a long battle of cancer. "AnnaBelle" was a bloodhound and made up the department's Scent Evidence Team. Used frequently by the Federal Bureau of Investigations to assist on cases, "AnnaBelle" could track scents over long distances and in difficult environments.

The department welcomed its newest K-9 to the department, "Barry". "Barry" is a Dutch Shepherd and specializes in drug detection. Together with his partner Corporal Shannon Robledo they handle patrol duties as well.

"Belker", a German Shepherd, became the first canine employed by the South Pasadena Police Department in 1982 as a patrol canine. After the retirement of "Belker", "Tommy" joined the police department also as a patrol canine in 1998. "Tinkerbelle" soon joined the department also in 1998 and became the first Bloodhound for the department. "Cinderella" and "AnnaBelle" would later join the department as part of the department's Scent Evidence Team. By 2013, the last Bloodhound "AnnaBelle" was retired.



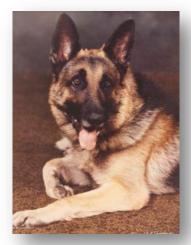
Officer Sandoval and "Rex" visiting with guests during a station tour



Corporal Robledo and "Barry" during the Rose Parade



## SOUTH PASADENA POLICE CANINES



"Belker" 1982-1985



"Tommy" 1998-2005



"Tinkerbelle" 1998-2008



Officer Slavin and "Cinderella" 2001-2005



Officer Sandoval and "Rex" 2005-2013



"AnnaBelle" 2006-2013



Corporal Robledo and "Barry" 2013-Current



## SPECIAL ENFORCEMENT TEAM

The South Pasadena Police Department Special Enforcement Team (SET) is a cadre of SPPD officers that are trained in special weapons and tactics and are tasked with providing incident commanders with tactical solutions to critical incidents. In addition to their primary mission, SET also provides in-service training to all sworn members of the department along with outreach programs to the community.

2013 saw the first change of command for SET. Sergeant Tony Abdalla assumed command of SET in May and immediately focused his efforts with ensuring all SET operations and training are in compliance with state guidelines and national best practices. Sergeant Abdalla has also worked



hard with improving SET's quality of training by reaching out to other area SWAT team commanders, developing relationships and establishing partnerships which created equipment resource and training opportunities. Sergeant Abdalla spent the month of October on loan to the Los Angeles Police Department SWAT Team where he experienced firsthand the training

Under the guidance of the SET Team Leader, Officer John Salcido, SET will focus their attention on two core areas in 2014: Improving their operational readiness and community outreach. SET started off 2014 with outreach to the South Pasadena Unified School District and High School by providing presentations and training to faculty and staff on the subject of active shooter response. The presentations and training will culminate with an active shooter exercise involving the high school faculty, staff, and police and fire department resources in March. Upon completion of the training at the high school, SET envisions providing the remainder of South Pasadena schools with active shooter training throughout 2014.

and complex tactical operations of an established and well respected team.



## SET TRAINING



Smoke is used to conceal the team's movement



Firearms training







Room entry and clearing is dangerous and is thoroughly rehearsed



Classroom work is an important part of SET training



## RESERVE OFFICERS

The South Pasadena Reserve Officer Program continues to augment the fulltime officers.

Comprised of volunteers, Reserve Officers perform the same duties as regular full-time officers and must volunteer a minimum of 16 hours per month. Reserve Officers must undergo the same hiring requirement as regular full-time officers, complete a background check, police academy, and a rigorous in-field training with an assigned Field Training Officer.

The Reserve organization has volunteered over 489,000 hours to the city and averages about 3,000 hours a year.

Reserve Officers assist with patrol and DUI checkpoints, but also specialized events, such as the Fourth of July Parade and Firework show, Tiger Run, high school football and basketball games, and other special city events throughout the year.

Originally created in 1942 under the name of the "South Pasadena Auxiliary Police", Auxiliary Officers were the third officer in a police car carrying nothing more than a flashlight and a baton. In 1945 the Auxiliary Officers were changed to "Reserve Officers" with authority to carry firearms. In 1962, the City of South Pasadena officially established a Police Reserve organization setting the maximum number of personnel at fifty officers,

Today, the Reserves are staffed with 14 officers and continue to be a professional organization. Currently, about 50% of the department's full-time officers were former Reserve Officers with the department.



In 2013, the South Pasadena Police Department welcomed two new Reserve Officers (Pablo Ayala and Craig Phillips, who was later hired as a full-time officer with the department).



## **POLICE ASSISTANTS**

Police Assistants (also called "Dispatchers") are full-time, non-sworn employees who handle communication responsibilities that include emergency and routine telephone calls for law enforcement service.

Police Assistants monitor radio transmissions for 911 emergency calls and maintain radio contact and status of officers in the field. A detailed record of each service request and action is recorded and documented in the Computer Aided Dispatch.

Additional duties include receiving reports and complaints from the public, entering, updating and retrieving information from state and national computer databases and providing direction and instruction for parking enforcement. Through surveillance cameras throughout the station, Police Assistants can monitor station security. When necessary, clerical and administrative tasks are completed.

Police Assistants are a valuable part of the South Pasadena Police Department insuring community and officer safety.



Dispatch circa 1940s



Dispatch 1962



Dispatch circa 1990s



Dispatch 2013



## RECORD CLERKS

Record Clerks are a part of the Support Staff and perform specialized police-related records management activities. Record Clerks are responsible for managing and issuing the various different parking permits issued throughout the City and work closely with citizens and the vendor to guarantee permits are issued in a timely and accurate manner. Clerks assist citizens at the counter with many varied requests some of which include clearance/police report requests, vehicle impounds, resolving parking issues, contesting citations and ink fingerprinting. Non-emergency telephone calls are handled in Records and re-routed if necessary.

Additionally, clerks process paperwork of arrested people for submission to the District Attorney's Office, oversee and issue electronic subpoenas for witnesses/officers and electronically preserve police reports.

In June, 2013 the records department welcomed Cadet Laura Mendez to her new position as Clerk Mendez. With Laura's previous work experience with the department she is a valuable addition to Records.







## **CADETS**

Police Cadets are part-time employees that perform a variety of support duties to the police department. Duties include traffic control, assist the public at the front counter, administrative duties, taking reports, parking control enforcement, station tours and assisting in dispatch.

Cadets are non-sworn law enforcement officers and do not attend a police academy or carry firearms.



Cadet Hang giving a station tour

Cadets must be a minimum of 16 years of age and the program introduces them to the fundamentals of police work in preparation for a career in law enforcement. The department utilizes the Cadet program as a resource from which Reserve or full-time Officers may be filled.

While off-duty, Cadet Mark Umutyan assisted in the prevention of a suicidal subject from jumping off the Colorado Street Bridge. For his quick actions, Cadet Umutyan received a Community Service Award from the Pasadena Police Department.



Chief Miller congratulates Cadet Umutyan among receiving a Community Service Award



Cadet Mejia taking inventory on a stolen vehicle



Cadet Hannible and Hang helping out at a DUI Checkpoint



## POLICE CHAPLAIN

Dan Bricker is the department's chaplain and is a non-sworn volunteer. As the department's chaplain, Dan Bricker provides support and encouragement for all employees of the department. This includes counseling as well as any religious functions that might be deemed necessary.

Chaplain Bricker rides with officers offering his assistance when needed. Chaplain Bricker has assisted in death notifications, sobriety checkpoints and presenting invocations at special events.



Chaplain Bricker is also a member of the Los Angeles Area C Chaplains Association.

## SUPPORT SERVICES ASSISTANT



Peggy Grangetto is the Support Services Assistant (SSA), which is a non-sworn position that provides valuable support to the police department. These responsibilities include:

Recruitment – The SSA recruits new police employees develops and distributes job announcements, administers written, physical fitness, oral interviews, background, psychological, medical testing, background

investigations and distributing of required equipment.

**Property/Evidence Management** – Manages the department's property/evidence room including the receiving, processing, storing, maintaining and releasing of property/evidence. The SSA also arranges the auction of unclaimed property, weapon, ammunition and narcotic disposal.

**Department Training** – Arranges required annual training per the California Peace Officers Standard and Training for department personnel. Officers are required to continue their training throughout their career on topics related to their position: shooting, vehicle pursuits, legal updates, crowd control, arrest and control, traffic enforcement, communications and tactical exercises.



## **ADMINISTRATION SECRETARY**

Esther Delinko is the Administrative Secretary who provides support services to the Chief of Police. Duties include preparing agendas, processing accounts payable, maintaining personnel files, schedules the chief's appointments and meetings and other support duties.

The Administrative Secretary also supervises the School Crossing Guard program, including recruitment and training.



Esther Delinko has been with the department for 34 years.

## **CROSSING GUARDS**

Crossing Guards play an important role in traffic safety for children. They are part-time employees who assist children crossing streets during morning and afternoon school hours.

The mere presence of Crossing Guards at intersections helps ease the concerns of parents, children and motorists regarding pedestrian safety. Children depend on Crossing Guards to help guide them across busy intersections safely.

The city employs 10 Crossing Guards, each responsible for a specific intersection near the elementary schools.







## PREDICTIVE POLICING

In order to allocate limited resources, the police department instituted "Predictive Policing" to help direct patrol to problem areas. Using maps provided by Crime Reduction & Information Management Experts (CRIME), officers can drive pre-designated highlighted routes to help reduce predicted crimes from occurring.

Using proprietary algorithms formulas, CRIME takes crime data and forecasts crimes where they may occur. Dates and times are also supplied so officers can be aware of predicted crimes to look for.

For the month of October 2013, officers followed the designated routes for the month and saw according to CRIME saw a reduction of 30% in total crimes involving burglary, stolen vehicles and auto burglaries.



Officers drive highlighted routes to deter crime

#### SOUTH PASADENA CRIME FORECAST

	Burglary 12/3/2013 100-400 Beacon & Oliver	GTA 12/3/2013 1800-2100 Forrest & Mission	BFMV 12/4/2013 1700-2000 Amberwood & Raymondale
	Burglary	Burglary	BFMV
	12/6/2013	12/8/2013	12/8/2013
	1000-1300	100-400	1700-2000
	Fair Oaks & Monterey	Alpha & Moffatt	Magnolia & Prospect
ı	BFMV	GTA	Burglary
	12/10/2013	12/10/2013	12/12/2013
	1600-1900	1700-2000	500-800
	Pasadena & Mission	Monterey & Hawthorne	Fair Oaks & Columbia
ıd	Burglary	Burglary	GTA
	12/13/2013	12/14/2013	12/14/2013
	2100-2400	1200-1500	1800-2100
	Alhambra & Primrose	Mound & Hope	Magnolia & Forest



# EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER AREA C

The South Pasadena Police Department operates the City's Emergency Operations Center (EOC) as part of the Emergency Management Team. The EOC is designed to protect the community and mitigate both manmade and natural disasters. The EOC is the central command for large scale events, emergencies or disasters in South Pasadena.

Our goal is to prepare residents, businesses, visitors, city employees, local organizations and others to respond to and recover from incidents and emergencies.

The Emergency Management staff provide educational material, training, speakers, planning guidance and other resources to make South Pasadena a disaster resilient community.

The Emergency Management Team is headed by Sergeant Brian Solinsky, with Captain DeAnn Wheeless overseeing the program. Since assuming command over the Emergency Management Section and EOC, the police department has created and implemented the Standardized Emergency Management System Guide, provided training to all city department heads, staff members, various community groups, and participated in large-scale planned exercises with surrounding communities. Members of the police department sit on the Governing Board of Directors for the Area C Disaster Management Council and are currently working to upgrade the EOC to include state of the art audio and visual components, real-time computer mapping software, and individual workstations.



**Emergency Operations Center** 



## **WE ARE ON THE WEB**



 $\underline{www.southpasadenaca.gov}$ 

The South Pasadena Police Department revised their website, but continues to use social media as an efficient way in communicating with residents. There are many on-line resources available for residents and victims of crimes. These "E-Policing Resources" include:

#### **On-line Police Reports**

Residents can file certain crime reports on-line at your convenience. A temporary copy of the report can also be printed at home.

#### Pay/Contest a Parking Citation

Resident can pay or contest a parking citation.

#### **Purchase Parking Permits**

Overnight parking permits can be purchased and printed in the convenience of your home.



#### Purchase Reports On-Line.

Crime and traffic accident reports can be purchased and downloaded on your computer.

#### Weekly Crime Summary

View the crime activity for the current week, uploaded on Wednesdays.

#### Neighborhood Watch Newsletter

Whether you are a member of a Neighborhood Watch Group or just a concerned resident, the newsletter provides information on current crime trends and prevention tips.

Other on-line resources available through the police website, or directly from the web are:

#### Crime Reports (www.crimereports.com)

To know what crime occurred within the past 24 hours, or longer, visit crimereports and enter the city's zip code to see up to date crime in the city.

#### Nixle (www.nixle.com)

Get important crime information and bulletins sent to your cell phone or email. Register for free with Nixle.

#### Twitter (https://twitter.com/SoPasPD)

Follow our "tweets" on Twitter.

Facebook (www.facebook.com/pages/South-Pasadena-Police-Department/100828809983718)

Become our friends and join us on Facebook

#### YouTube (www.youtube.com/user/SoPasadenaPoliceDept)

Visit our YouTube channel to help identify suspects in surveillance videos and other public relations videos.

#### Pinterest (www.pinterest.com/sopaspd)

View historical photos of the police department.



## **COMMUNITY APPRECIATION**



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