



MONROVIA POLICE DEPARTMENT

# NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH REPORT



## Highlighted Activity for July 11-17, 2019

During the last seven-day period, the Police Department handled 422 service events, resulting in 81 investigations. To see a complete listing of crimes reported, go to <http://www.crimemapping.com/map/ca/monrovia> for crime mapping. For Police Department news and information, visit our website and follow us on Twitter, Facebook, Instagram or Nextdoor.

### **Injury Traffic Collision**

On July 11 at 12:18 p.m., a caller reported two motorists collided into one another in the 1100 block of S. Mayflower. Officers responded and found one of the drivers was complaining of pain. She was transported to a nearby hospital by Monrovia Paramedics. The party at fault was issued a citation.

### **Non-injury Traffic Collision**

On July 11 at 2:10 p.m., a traffic collision was reported in the 1300 block of S. Myrtle. Officers arrived and found no one was injured. The party who was found at fault was issued a citation.

### **Domestic Violence – Suspect Wanted**

On July 12 at 5:59 a.m., Los Angeles County Sheriff's called to report a domestic violence incident that occurred that morning at an apartment in the 100 block of W. Olive. The suspect drove the victim to work in Duarte, where staff reported the incident. The deputies had the victim transported to a nearby hospital. The suspect was also transported to a hospital in Baldwin Park for sudden chest pains. Monrovia officers responded to the two hospitals to investigate. The suspect fled the hospital he was at and is now wanted. The victim was treated for her injuries. Investigation continuing.

### **Non-Injury Traffic Collision**

On July 12 at 1:59 p.m., a caller reported two motorists collided into one another in the 100 block of W. Foothill. An officer responded and found no one was injured. After an investigation was completed, the party at fault was issued a citation.

### **Fraud**

On July 12 at 3:33 p.m., an elderly resident in the 400 block of Sierra Vista reported that he received a call from someone who identified themselves as the IRS. They told him he

owed them \$3,000 and if he didn't pay, he would be arrested. They demanded he pay with Target gift cards over the phone, so he complied. This investigation is continuing.

### **Residential Burglary**

On July 12 at 8:10 p.m., a resident in the 400 block of Hill returned home and found her residence ransacked. A review of the home's video surveillance showed two male suspects entered the backyard of the property. The suspects looked into the windows, then made entry through an open bathroom window by placing a bucket underneath the window. The suspects left the residence with pillow cases containing belongings. The investigation is continuing.

### **Fire Assist / Investigation**

On July 12 at 9:25 p.m., a resident in the 300 block of Palm called to report he heard a loud noise that sounded like fireworks. He walked outside to see what it was and saw the property fence, which has ivy on it, had caught fire. A subject was seen fleeing the scene. Investigation continuing.

### **Assault with a Deadly Weapon – Suspect Arrested**

On July 13 at 1:50 a.m., an officer responded to the report of an assault in the 100 block of W. Central. While a vehicle was being repossessed, the registered owner came out of her residence, entered another vehicle, and intentionally rammed into the truck that was repossessing her vehicle. Officers arrived on scene, conducted an investigation, and arrested the suspect for assault with a deadly weapon.

### **Driving Under the Influence – Suspect Arrested**

On July 13 at 10:01 p.m., an officer was patrolling the 3000 block of S. Peck when he saw a traffic violation. A traffic stop was conducted, and the driver displayed signs of being under the influence of alcohol. Field sobriety tests were conducted and the suspect was arrested for DUI. The driver was held for a sobering period.

### **Non-Injury Traffic Collision**

On July 13 at 11:40 p.m., a traffic collision was reported in the 100 block of W. Foothill. One of the motorists left her name and phone number, and stated she was running late for work and left the area. An officer arrived and is conducting an investigation.

### **Vehicle Burglary**

On July 14 at 1:33 p.m., a vehicle burglary was reported at a business parking lot in the 700 block of E. Huntington. The victim reported that while she was inside a business someone broke into her vehicle and stole her purse from the floorboard. A witness described the suspect vehicle as a black Audi SUV, being driven by a female Black driver. The suspect was described as a male Black, 25-35 years old, 5'10" to 6'0", thin build, wearing a yellow hoodie. The investigation is continuing.

**Warrant – Suspect Arrested**

On July 15 at 8:06 a.m., a suspicious subject was reported possibly lighting a fire in the 900 block of W. Duarte. An officer arrived and located the subject, who was lighting a cigarette. A computer check revealed the subject had an outstanding warrant for his arrest. He was arrested and taken into custody for the warrant.

**Warrant – Suspect Arrested**

On July 15 at 3:46 p.m., an officer was patrolling the area of Mayflower and Lemon when he saw a subject who he recognized from prior contacts. A computer check revealed the subject had an outstanding warrant for his arrest. The subject was detained and arrested for the warrant.

**Vehicle Burglary**

On July 15 at 7:26 p.m., a vehicle burglary was reported at a business parking lot in the 500 block of W. Huntington. While the victim was shopping in a business, a window on her vehicle was smashed and her backpack was stolen from inside. Investigation continuing.

**Vehicle Burglary**

On July 16 at 10:17 a.m., a resident in the 200 block of W. Pomona called police to report a vehicle burglary. The victim parked his vehicle late in the evening the night before. When he returned to his vehicle in the morning, he saw the rear passenger window had been smashed. His backpack, which contained personal identifying information, was taken. Investigation continuing.

**Under the Influence – Suspect Arrested**

On July 17 at 9:49 a.m., an officer was patrolling the area of Shamrock and Evergreen when he saw an adult male sitting on a bench huffing an aerosol can. The subject had dried blood on his shirt. Officers stopped and talked with the subject, who displayed symptoms of being under the influence. He was arrested and taken into custody. The suspect was then taken by the Monrovia Fire Department to a nearby hospital to be checked out.

**Embezzlement**

On July 17 at 4:09 p.m., an owner of a business in the 1700 block of California called to report an employee altered financial statements and embezzled approximately \$100,000. The investigation is continuing.

## Monrovia Police Department Press Release

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## **PRESS RELEASE**

**For Immediate Release – July 17, 2019**

### **DUI / DRIVER'S LICENSE CHECKPOINT**

*Monrovia, CA – Monrovia Police Department will be conducting a DUI / CDL checkpoint on Tuesday night, July 23, 2019. Vehicles entering the checkpoint will be stopped. Drivers will then be evaluated for being under the influence of alcohol and checked for having a valid driver's license.*

*Over the course of the past three years, there have been 127 DUI collisions with 32 of those collisions resulting in injuries, harming our citizens and neighbors of Monrovia.*

*In California, this deadly crime led to countless deaths, because someone failed to designate a sober driver. Alcohol and drug-impaired deaths still make up the largest category of overall vehicle fatalities, with 29% of all deaths being caused by a drunk driver.*

*Monrovia Police Department offers these reminders to ensure you have a safe night of fun without a DUI:*

- *Always use a designated driver – a friend who is not drinking, ride-share, cab or public transportation.*
- *See someone who is clearly impaired try and drive? Take their keys and help them make other arrangements to find a sober way home.*
- *Report drunk drivers – Call 911.*
- *Hosting a party? Offer nonalcoholic drinks. Monitor who is drinking and how they are getting home.*

*Getting home safely is cheap, but getting a DUI is not! Drivers caught driving impaired and charged with DUI can expect the impact of a DUI arrest to be upwards of \$13,500. This includes fines, fees, DUI classes, license suspension and other expenses, not to mention possible jail time.*

*Funding for this checkpoint is provided to Monrovia Police Department by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.*



***Press Contacts: Monrovia Police Department Watch Commander at (626) 256-8000***

## **National Night Out**

On Tuesday, August 6<sup>th</sup>, neighborhoods throughout Monrovia are being invited to join forces with thousands of communities nationwide for “National Night Out.” National Night Out, which is sponsored by the National Association of Town Watch (NATW) and co-sponsored locally by the Monrovia Police Department, will involve millions of neighbors across thousands of communities from all 50 states.



Monrovia's National Night Out event will be from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm. Residents of Monrovia are invited to Library Park for a night of free food, music and unity. This is a night for Monrovia's to meet the men and women behind the badge and learn more about why they chose this profession, what they are doing to keep this community safe, and ask questions they have always wanted to ask a police officer.

## **False Alarm Service Charges Increase August 1, 2019**

Monrovia Police Officers respond to nearly 2000 false alarms each year. The response to false alarms unnecessarily pulls the responding officers from other endeavors, decreasing the effectiveness of their patrol duties and increasing response times to other calls for service.

Once officers arrive, if there are no signs of forced entry or tampering, Monrovia Police Officers will leave the homeowner a “False Alarm Notice,” informing the home or business owner the police were called to their address regarding an alarm activation.

Monrovia Municipal Code Ordinance 9.47 was established in the best interest of public safety, public welfare, and convenience of the City, as well as fairness to its citizens. The City requires those persons generating an unusual number of false alarms to be deterred from allowing their alarm systems to generate false alarms, which contributes to the City's expense for responding to those false alarms. The City allows no more than three false alarm responses free of charge in a 12-month period.

Monrovia Municipal Code Ordinance 9.47.050 establishes a service charge to be billed to and paid by the alarm user of a particular alarm system for the following false alarms:

- 4th False Alarm - \$200.00
- 5th False Alarm - \$300.00
- 6th False Alarm - \$400.00, consecutively.

This fee is established by resolution for excessive alarm response. Alarms caused by criminal activity, earthquake, weather or conditions beyond the control of the owner would not be considered false.

It is in your best interest to ensure your alarm system is in proper working order and a valid alarm permit is on file with the City of Monrovia.

### **Monrovia's Safe Schools Anti-Violence Reward – \$100 CASH**

The graphic features the text "SAFE schools" in green and white on a green background, followed by "\$100 anti-violence REWARD" in white and green on a dark green background. A circular logo for the Community Activist Policing Bureau (CAP) is positioned in the center. Below the logo, the text reads: "Call 911 to report any threat of violence against our schools, whether on social media, online post, or anywhere. After an investigation, if an arrest is made you will receive a \$100 cash reward for helping our community stay safe."

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT THE COMMUNITY ACTIVIST POLICING BUREAU AT 626-256-8020 or 626-256-8036

### **Monrovia's Stop Graffiti Bounty \$100 CASH!!!**

One of the ways the City of Monrovia is combatting graffiti is through the Stop Graffiti Bounty. If someone reports an incident of graffiti in Monrovia that leads to the arrest of the suspect, the caller will receive \$100. Call the police if you see criminal activity, help keep Monrovia looking great!!!

The banner features a Monrovia Police badge on the left, the title "STOP GRAFFITI PROGRAM" in orange, and three steps: "STEP 1 - See a criminal graffitiing and destroying property", "STEP 2 - Call cell-watch at 626-357-CELL", and "STEP 3 - Suspect arrested and property protected". A sign on the right reads "GRAFFITI IS A CRIME". At the bottom, it states "CALLER RECEIVES \$100 BILL FOR HELPING KEEP OUR COMMUNITY CLEAN AND SAFE!"

## Contact Phone Numbers

For Emergencies Dial from your house or cellphone ..... 911  
Police Department Business Line .....(626) 256-8000  
Community Policing Officer .....(626) 256-8036  
Watch Commander .....(626) 256-8030  
Cell Watch Police Dispatch Line ..... (626) 357-CELL (2355)  
Graffiti Removal Service..... (855) 557-1007  
Shopping Cart Removal Service .....(888) 992-4778

**The Pasadena Humane Society & SPCA provides animal control services for the City of Monrovia.**

For EMERGENCY animal control issues call:

Monrovia Police Department.....(626) 256-8000

For Non-Emergency animal control issues call:

Pasadena Humane Society & SPCA dispatch ..... (626) 792-7151, Ext. 108

For Dog License, Spay & Neuter Services call:

Pasadena Humane Society & SPCA.....(626) 792-7151

Los Angeles Regional Crime Stoppers..... (800) 222-TIPS (8477)

