



MONROVIA POLICE DEPARTMENT

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH REPORT



HIGHLIGHTED ACTIVITY FOR MAY 14-20, 2020

During the last seven-day period, the Police Department handled 321 service events, resulting in 43 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.

Theft

May 14 at 3:52 a.m., a resident in the 200 block of E. Walnut called police to report his catalytic converter had been stolen from his truck. Officers responded and conducted an investigation. The investigation is continuing.

Robbery

May 14 at 4:35 a.m., a customer of a business in the 400 block of W. Foothill called police to report a suspect had stolen his wallet and cell phone. The victim attempted to follow the suspect, but the suspect pulled out a knife and threatened the victim. Officers responded and checked the area, but the suspect had fled. This investigation is continuing.

Shoplifting – Suspect Arrested

May 14 at 8:54 a.m., a male subject entered a business in the 1600 block of S. Mountain and shoplifted several items. He was confronted by store loss prevention and dropped the property before fleeing on foot. Officers located the suspect nearby and arrested him. He was issued a citation to appear in court on the charges.

Resisting and Delaying a Peace Officer – Suspect Arrested

May 14 at 11:25 a.m., a caller reported a male subject removing his clothing while sitting on a bench in the 200 block of W. Foothill. When officers arrived, the subject fled the location, but he was quickly located on Linwood and was found to be on probation. He was arrested.

Commercial Burglary

May 14 at 5:46 p.m., a commercial burglary was reported in the 2100 block of S. Myrtle. The victim reported her storage unit at the location was broken into by someone. Officers responded and conducted an investigation. This investigation is continuing.

Warrant – Suspect Arrested

May 14 at 9:53 p.m., officers responded to a gas station in the 1500 block of S. Myrtle regarding a disturbing subject. Investigation revealed the subject had a warrant for her arrest. She was arrested per the authority of the warrant.

Attempted Burglary

May 15 at 6:23 a.m., officers responded to an alarm at a business in the 700 block of E. Huntington. Upon arrival, they found a window to the front had been damaged, but not shattered enough to make entry. Security camera footage showed three suspects attempting to break the window. This investigation is continuing.

Vehicle Burglary

May 15 at 7:17 a.m., a vehicle burglary was reported in the 200 block of E. Olive. The vehicle was burglarized sometime during the night. Officers arrived and found both rear windows had been smashed and several power tools were stolen. This investigation is continuing.

Stolen Vehicle Recovered

May 15 at 7:25 p.m., a female subject called police to report she had located a vehicle in the 700 block of W. Walnut that had been stolen from her. Her vehicle was stolen out of Paramount and the suspect, her ex-boyfriend, was already in custody. Officers confirmed the vehicle had been stolen and released the vehicle to the owner.

Theft – Suspect Arrested

May 16 at 12:34 a.m., officers were conducting extra patrol in the 900 block of W. Duarte when they contacted a male subject acting suspiciously. As they spoke with the male subject, an employee from a business advised the officers that the suspect had stolen merchandise from the store. The suspect admitted to stealing the merchandise. He was arrested for the theft.

Trespassing – Suspects Arrested

May 16 at 7:56 a.m., an officer was patrolling the 400 block of W. Duarte when he saw several subjects in the wash area in violation of posted no-trespassing signs. All the subjects were previously warned by officers not to trespass in the wash. All subjects were arrested and issued citations.

Domestic Violence – Suspect Arrested

May 16 at 1:54 p.m., a resident in the 800 block of W. Duarte reported her husband had battered her, causing visible injuries to her head. Officers and paramedics responded and the victim was treated for her injuries. After the investigation was completed, the suspect was arrested and taken into custody.

Driving Under the Influence – Suspect Arrested

May 16 at 5:11 p.m., a caller reported a female motorist was stopped in traffic and slumped over in the driver's seat at the intersection of Magnolia and Huntington. Officers and paramedics responded. The subject was contacted and found to be heavily intoxicated. She was too intoxicated to perform field sobriety tests. She was arrested for DUI and held for a sobering period.

Resisting and Delaying a Peace Officer – Suspect Arrested

May 16 at 9:24 p.m., officers witnessed a subject fail to stop at the stop sign at Fifth and Chestnut. They were able to catch up to the vehicle and a traffic stop was initiated. The subject fled from the vehicle and hid underneath a truck parked in the 900 block of W. Olive. The subject ultimately came out from underneath the truck and was arrested for resisting and delaying a peace officer.

Attempt Grand Theft Auto

May 17 at 8:00 a.m., an officer was patrolling the 800 block of S. Alta Vista when he saw a vehicle that appeared to have been burglarized with the door lock broken. He stopped and looked inside the vehicle and found wires hanging from the ignition. The owner was located and reported the ignition system and door lock were not damaged when he parked the vehicle. It appears as if the suspect attempted to steal the vehicle, but was not successful. This investigation is continuing.

Attempt Grand Theft Auto

May 18 at 9:29 a.m., an officer responded to the 100 block of E. Chestnut regarding a vehicle burglary investigation. A preliminary investigation revealed the suspect punched the driver's door lock to gain access into the victim's vehicle. Once inside the vehicle, the suspect tampered with the ignition in attempt to start the vehicle, but was unsuccessful. The suspect was seen getting into a four door sedan, possibly a KIA Optima, before fleeing the area. The investigation is ongoing.

Mail Theft

May 18 at 1:03 p.m., officers responded to the 700 block of W. Foothill regarding a male suspect that was seen stealing a package from the front of a home. Officers arrived in the area but were unsuccessful in locating the suspect. This investigation is continuing.

Shoplifting – Suspect Arrested

May 18 at 4:30 p.m., officers responded to a business in the 1600 block of S. Mountain regarding a male suspect detained by loss prevention officers for stealing a toolbox and tools. The suspect was positively identified and arrested for shoplifting.

Theft

May 18 at 6:23 p.m., an officer took a theft report of a catalytic converter over the phone. The theft occurred in the 300 block of E. Olive. This investigation is continuing.

Possession of Drug Paraphernalia – Suspect Arrested

May 18 at 10:48 p.m., the Monrovia Fire Department called police to report a disturbing subject attempting to enter the fire station in the 100 block of E. Lemon. The subject tried leaving on his bicycle by going up the stairs between the fire station and parking area. Officers made contact with the subject, who was found to be in possession of drug paraphernalia. He was arrested.

Injury Traffic Collision

May 19 at 4:22 p.m., a vehicle traveling west at the intersection of California and Lemon failed to yield to a vehicle traveling north. One of the parties suffered a contusion on his head, but did not wish to be taken to a hospital.

Injury Traffic Collision

May 20 at 7:08 a.m., two vehicles collided in the intersection of California and Huntington after one of the vehicles failed to stop for the red traffic signal. Officers responded and issued a citation to the party at fault.

Counterfeit Money

May 20 at 10:32 a.m., a customer at a business in the 3000 block of S. Peck tried to pay for merchandise using counterfeit \$20 dollar bills. Officers responded and detained the subject. It was determined that the subject did not know the bills were counterfeit. Investigation continuing.

Grand Theft Auto

May 20 at 11:12 a.m., a vehicle was reported stolen from the 100 block of Mauna Loa. The victim reported that his vehicle and attached trailer with a wave runner on it were taken sometime during the night. Officers responded and checked the area, but were unable to locate the missing vehicles. This investigation is continuing.

Hit and Run Traffic Collision

May 20 at 4:51 p.m., two vehicles were traveling south on Mountain near Evergreen. One of the drivers rear ended the vehicle stopped in front of him, then reversed and fled the scene. No injuries were reported. Officers responded and checked the area, but were unable to locate the suspect vehicle. This investigation is continuing.

Shoplifting

May 20 at 6:23 p.m., a suspect entered a business in the 1600 block of S. Mountain and took several items without paying for them. The suspect pushed a cart with the items across the parking lot, but abandoned the cart when he saw loss prevention officers chasing after him. All the stolen items were recovered. This investigation is continuing.

MAY IS NATIONAL BICYCLE SAFETY MONTH

The Monrovia Police Department is participating in National Bicycle Safety Month by giving away **FREE child bicycle helmets to Monrovia residents**. We have small, medium and large helmets for children in red, white and blue, as well as black. The helmets were donated by the Duarte & Monrovia Elks Lodge, whose goal, like that of MPD, is to protect children. If you would like a free helmet for your child, come to the Monrovia Police



Department and contact Motorcycle Officer James Ruano or Traffic Lieutenant Daniel Verna on any Thursday, Friday or Saturday, during the day. Remember to wear a protective mask when coming to the police station to prevent the spread of Covid-19.

Safety Tips for Bicyclists from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration:

- Always wear a properly-fitted helmet that meets the Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) standards.
- Check your bike equipment before heading out: check for proper fit and function, including tires, brakes, handlebars and seats.
- Ride in the same direction as traffic, as a vehicle on the road.
- Obey traffic signs, signals, and lane markings; signal all turns; and follow local laws.
- Be predictable; ride in a straight line and use hand signals when changing lanes or turning.
- Stay focused; look ahead for traffic and obstacles in your path.
- Be visible: wear bright colors, reflective materials and lights on your bicycle at night and in low light conditions.
- Stay alert: don't use electronic devices.
- Ride safe; riding impaired by alcohol or drugs affects your judgment and skill; it affects your safety and others on the road

Safety Tips for Motorists from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration:

- Pass bicyclists on the road with care; allow at least three feet clearance.
- Look for cyclists before opening a car door or pulling out from a parking space.
- Yield to bicyclists at intersections and as directed by signs and signals.
- Look for bicyclists before making turns, either left or right.
- Respect designated bicycle lanes; don't use them for parking, passing or turning.
- Never drive distracted or impaired. Always buckle up.

COVID-19 SAFETY TIPS

Protect Yourself and Others from COVID-19

COVER UP, LA COUNTY!

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT WEARING CLOTH FACE COVERINGS



For babies and children:

- **Under 2:** Not required or advised.
- **Ages 2-8:** Wear with adult help and supervision; children with breathing problems should NOT wear a cloth face covering.

For people with disabilities:

- If unable to put on or remove face covering, it's not required to wear one.



Everyone else:

- Required at essential businesses, using public transportation or ride shares, and when unable to physically distance.

For more information, visit: publichealth.lacounty.gov/coronavirus



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!!!



STOP GRAFFITI PROGRAM

STEP 1 - See a criminal graffitiing and destroying property

STEP 2 - Call cell-watch at 626-357-CELL

STEP 3 - Suspect arrested and property protected

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(800) 252-4613

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)

