

#### Highlighted Activity for September 10-16, 2020

During the last seven-day period, the Police Department handled 351 service events, resulting in 66 investigations. To see a complete listing of crimes reported, go to <a href="http://www.crimemapping.com/map/ca/monrovia">http://www.crimemapping.com/map/ca/monrovia</a> for crime mapping. For Police Department news and information, visit our website and follow us on Twitter, Facebook, Instagram or Nextdoor.

#### Robbery

September 10 at 9:19 p.m., a robbery was reported at a business in the 1500 block of S. Myrtle. A male suspect entered the business and selected two bottles of wine. He appeared to be standing in line to pay for the items, but then ran out the exit doors. Once outside, he realized he was being chased by an employee. The suspect then retrieved a machete from a suitcase he was holding and waved it several times at the employee. The suspect then fled on foot. Officers arrived and checked the area, but the suspect was not located. This investigation continuing.

#### **Injury Traffic Collision**

September 11 at 6:10 p.m., an officer responded to an injury traffic collision in a business parking lot in the 100 block of W. Foothill. A driver was backing her vehicle out of a parking stall and struck a pedestrian. Officers arrived and saw the pedestrian had sustained abrasions to his right knee and elbow. The pedestrian was treated by paramedics from the Monrovia Fire Department and transported to a local hospital for treatment.

#### Hit and Run Traffic Collision

September 12 at 1:46 a.m., a vehicle traveling eastbound through the 100 block of E. Lime struck a parked police vehicle and continued driving away. Shortly after the incident, officers responded to a medical call and found the subject involved in the hit and run. The subject was incoherent and having a medical emergency. He was treated by paramedics from the Monrovia Fire Department and transported to a local hospital.

#### **Public Intoxication – Suspect Arrested**

September 12 at 11:15 a.m., a resident in the 100 block of Melrose reported seeing a male subject stumbling along the sidewalk who appeared to be intoxicated. Officers responded and located the subject at Primrose and Foothill. He had fallen into a bush, picked himself up and fell against a wall. Officers contacted him and found he was so intoxicated he could not care for his own safety. He was arrested for public intoxication and held for a sobering period.

#### **Battery**

September 12 at 3:53 p.m., a battery incident was reported at a business in the 3200 block of S. Peck. The victim reported that he was shopping at a vehicle parts store when he got into an argument with another customer. The argument led to the victim getting struck by the suspect, who fled the area. Officers arrived and searched for the suspect, but could not locate him. This investigation is continuing.

#### **Public Intoxication – Suspect Arrested**

September 12 at 11:06 p.m., officers responded to the 400 block of W. Foothill regarding an intoxicated subject harassing customers inside a business. The subject was contacted and found to be too intoxicated to care for his own safety. He was arrested and held for a sobering period.

#### **Traffic Stop / Pursuit**

September 13 at 2:02 a.m., an officer patrolling the area of Mountain and Central saw a vehicle fail to stop for a solid red light. A vehicle traveling north on Mountain had to swerve to avoid colliding with the suspect vehicle. The suspect vehicle failed to yield as the officer attempted a traffic stop and fled onto the 210 Freeway. California Highway Patrol officers continued pursuing the vehicle. The driver eventually pulled over and fled on foot. This investigation is continuing.

#### **Mail Tampering**

September 13 at 6:42 a.m., officers responded to the 300 block Elfwood regarding suspects tampering with mail. A male and female were seen in a 4-door, white vehicle loitering near the mailboxes. After the subjects left, a resident found mail on the ground next to the mailboxes belonging to residents in El Monte. This investigation is continuing.

#### **Vehicle Burglary**

September 13 at 8:22 a.m., officers responded to the report of a vehicle window smash in the 400 block of W. Duarte. A passerby saw the broken window and called police. The owner of the vehicle said he left a new stereo sitting on the seat in plain view and was going to have it installed today. While he was away from the vehicle, someone smashed the window and took the stereo. The officers saw a couple subjects sitting on a couch in a nearby parking lot. The officers contacted them and noticed the stolen stereo sitting behind the couch. This investigation is continuing.

#### **Injury Traffic Collision**

September 13 at 11:49 p.m., a traffic collision was reported at a parking garage in the 200 block of W. Pomona. A pedestrian was walking inside the parking garage and was struck by a vehicle at slow speed. Officers arrived and determined the pedestrian had sustained minor injuries. The pedestrian was treated by paramedics from the Monrovia Fire Department.

#### **Commercial Burglary**

September 14 at 3:07 a.m., the owner of a business in the 600 block of W. Huntington was contacted by his alarm company advising there was a window break at the location. He logged into his business cameras on his phone and saw a suspect inside stealing

lottery tickets. He called police. Officers arrived at the location, but the suspect had already fled the area. This investigation is continuing.

#### Theft / Possession of a Controlled Substance – Suspect Arrested

September 14 at 3:29 a.m., while officers were handling a call in the 600 block of W. Huntington, a subject waited for officers to walk away from their units. He then reached in and was going through the officer's bags attempting to take items, when another officer coming from the rear happened upon the crime in progress. The suspect was arrested. During a search incident to arrest, he was also found to be in possession of multiple controlled substances.

#### **Vandalism**

September 16 at 12:12 a.m., a witness saw a male subject break a window in the 100 block of E. Colorado and called police. Officers responded, but the suspect had already left the area. This investigation is continuing.

#### Theft

September 16 at 2:31 p.m., a business owner in the 100 block of E. Chestnut called to report that sometime during the night someone had stolen a catalytic converter from one of the vehicles parked on his property. Officers arrived and conducted an investigation. This investigation is continuing.

#### Theft

September 16 at 3:13 p.m., a theft was reported at a business in the 2600 block of California. A large shipment of E Cigarettes had been set outside the business and was waiting for pickup by a customer, but someone else arrived and took the boxes. Officers arrived and collected video surveillance showing a suspect loading the boxes into his vehicle. This investigation is continuing.

#### Burglary

September 16 at 6:09 p.m., a vehicle burglary was reported in the 1600 block of S. Mountain. The victim parked his vehicle at 8:30 a.m. that morning and left his vehicle. When he returned at 6:00 p.m., he noticed his trunk had been opened. The door locks had been tampered with and a duffle bag containing baseball equipment had been stolen. This investigation is continuing.

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#### PRESS RELEASE

For Immediate Release – September 10, 2020

Three Sobriety Tests Conducted – Two Cited at Checkpoint for Driving Unlicensed

Monrovia, Calif. – 435 motorists were stopped at a DUI/Driver's License Checkpoint on Saturday night, August 30, 2020. Three drivers had sobriety tests conducted to determine their alcohol impairment level, two other drivers were issued citations for driving unlicensed, and one driver was issued a citation for having an open alcoholic beverage in his car. Every driver was given safety information supplied by the Southern California Automobile Club on the dangers of drinking and driving.

The checkpoint was held on Myrtle Avenue, south of Duarte Road, from 7 p.m. to 12 a.m. Checkpoints are hosted on days of the week at specific locations based on a history of crashes and DUI arrests in the area.

The primary purpose of checkpoints is not to make arrests, but to promote public safety by deterring motorists from driving impaired, and deterring their friends and family from allowing someone to drive impaired.

As businesses continue to reopen, including bars and restaurants, impaired driving remains a top traffic safety concern. The Monrovia Police Department will hold another DUI/Driver's License Checkpoint on Saturday night, September 26, 2020.

Funding for this checkpoint was provided by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

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



#### 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!!!



#### **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 anima	al 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:	
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