



MONROVIA POLICE DEPARTMENT

# NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH REPORT



## Highlighted Activity for January 13 – January 19, 2022

During the last seven-day period, the Police Department handled 329 service events, resulting in 65 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.

### **Park Hours Violation**

January 13 at 2:47 a.m., a cleaning crew arrived to the 300 block of S. Myrtle, but could not get in the front doors because of two transients that were sleeping blocking the entry way. Officers arrived and had the cleaning crew enter the building through the side door. The transients refused to leave. A verified complaint was completed against the subjects for being in the park after hours.

### **Theft / Fraud**

January 13 at 9:30 a.m., a caller reported he had his wallet stolen from the 700 block of W. Huntington during the night. The suspect then started using the victim's credit cards in the early morning hours. This investigation is continuing.

### **Commercial Burglary**

January 13 at 12:16 p.m., the owner of a restaurant in the 1100 block of E. Huntington called to report that it was broken into during the night. The owner had video of the suspects prying the door open. This investigation is continuing.

### **Vandalism**

January 13 at 4:30 p.m., a victim reported that her vehicle's windows had been smashed and the tires slashed while parked in the 200 block of E. Chestnut. This investigation is continuing.

### **Battery**

January 13 at 6:58 p.m., a resident in the 200 block of E. Evergreen called to report she had ordered food online and the delivery person arrived and dropped the food at her front door. After the delivery another subject picked up the food and tried to pretend he was the delivery person. While speaking with the victim he tried to hug and kiss the victim. The victim managed to push the suspect away and he fled from the location. This investigation is continuing.

### **Mental Evaluation**

January 13 at 10:03 p.m., officers were dispatched to the 700 block of E. Huntington regarding a subject who appeared to be trying to burn a tree with a lighter. Upon arrival officers saw the subject trying to light a leaf on fire. It was determined the subject needed to be evaluated by a mental health professional. He was transported to a local facility for treatment.

### **Death Report**

January 14 at 2:13 a.m., officers responded to the 100 block of S. Myrtle regarding a subject not breathing. Paramedics also responded and pronounced the subject deceased. The subject had been suffering from numerous medical issues. The LA County Coroner's Office was notified and authorized the deceased to be released to a mortuary.

### **Trespass – Suspect Arrested**

January 14 at 8:39 a.m., an employee from a business in the 700 block of E. Huntington called to report that a male subject was at the location who had been previously advised to not come back onto the property because he was disrupting the business. Officers arrived and located the individual on the property. He was arrested.

### **Grand Theft**

January 14 at 9:17 a.m., a resident in the area of El Dorado and Fifth called to report that sometime during the night his vehicle's catalytic converter was stolen. This investigation is continuing.

### **Wanted Person – Suspect Arrested**

January 14 at 3:23 p.m., officers were patrolling the 300 block of E. Duarte when they saw a subject they recognized as being wanted for domestic violence and robbery. The subject was detained and his identity confirmed. He was arrested and transported to Monrovia Police Department jail.

### **Fire Assist**

January 14 at 4:55 p.m., a resident in the 800 block of W. Colorado called to report that a motorcycle was on fire, which caused a portion of a residential complex to catch fire. Officers and the Fire Department arrived and the fire was quickly extinguished. The fire was caused by a tenant who was working on his motorcycle. The fire is being investigated by an arson investigator.

### **Commercial Robbery**

January 14 at 9:42 p.m., officers responded to a convenience store in the 900 block of W. Duarte regarding a robbery that had just occurred. An investigation revealed that three male suspects wearing masks had entered the location after a customer left. One of the suspects was armed with a black semi-automatic handgun and ordered the clerk to open the register. Another suspect then reached into the open register and removed cash. All three suspects then fled the location on foot. This investigation is continuing.

### **Domestic Violence**

January 15 at 11:56 a.m., a resident in the 400 block of E. Cypress called to report that his neighbors had a domestic dispute. Officers arrived and spoke with the female subject. She alleged her husband had pushed her out of their home and locked her out. The husband would not answer the front door or phone calls. This investigation is continuing.

### **Death Report**

January 15 at 1:06 p.m., a resident in the 400 block of Granite called to report her husband was unconscious and not breathing. Officers and Paramedics responded and began life saving measures. The subject was pronounced deceased by Paramedics. Mortuary arrangements were made. The deceased was identified as a retired Monrovia Police Department detective.

### **Trespass / Warrant – Suspect Arrested**

January 15 at 3:21 p.m., an employee from a business in the 100 block of W. Foothill called to report that a male subject was at the location disturbing customers. He was asked to leave and he refused. Officers arrived and contacted the subject. The officer asked the subject to leave on behalf of the manager's request, but he refused. His response was, "You'll have to arrest me." Further investigation revealed the subject had an outstanding warrant for his arrest. He was arrested transported to the Monrovia Police Department jail.

### **Fighting in Public**

January 15 at 9:20 p.m., a fight was reported in the 400 block of S. Myrtle. Upon arrival officers learned that the subjects had left the location. One of the subjects was later located through his license plate. He explained that after leaving a restaurant in the area, an intoxicated male subject called his wife a derogatory term. He then confronted that subject and they began pushing each other and at one point they fell to the ground. They then separated and left the location. No prosecution was desired and the other involved subject was not located.

### **Suspicious Subject**

January 15 at 10:21 p.m., officers responded to a business in the 800 block of E. Central when a caller reported that the security officer there was acting aggressive towards him. The caller stated he was driving by and saw a vehicle he liked. He parked and was looking at the vehicle. The security officer then told him to leave and began taking pictures of the caller's vehicle. Officers conducted an investigation and determined no crime had occurred.

### **Wanted Person – Suspect Arrested**

January 15 at 10:21 p.m., officers from Arcadia Police Department located a subject wanted by the Monrovia Police Department. They were able to transport him to the Monrovia Police Department jail where he was arrested.

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

January 15 at 10:22 p.m., a caller reported a vehicle stopped in the area of Myrtle and Olive with a driver slumped at the wheel and the engine revving. Officers arrived and

detained the driver who displayed symptoms of being under the influence. The driver was arrested for DUI and transported to a local hospital for a blood sample. He then refused to provide the sample and was transported to the Monrovia Police Department jail for a breath sample.

### **Theft**

January 16 at 3:27 a.m., officers responded to the 2100 block of S. Myrtle after a resident called to report a suspicious subject walked onto his neighbor's porch and took a package. The subject was seen taking the package to the side of the residence, opening it, and discarding it. Officers arrived and detained the subject. The owner of the package was located, but did not desire any prosecution. The subject was positively identified before his release.

### **Injury Traffic Collision**

January 16 at 8:07 a.m., a caller reported five motorists collided into one another at the intersection of Peck and Live Oak. Officers and Paramedics responded. The driver found to be at fault was issued a citation. Two of the drivers complained of pain and one was transported to a nearby hospital for treatment.

### **Drug Activity – Suspect Arrested**

January 16 at 3:04 p.m., officers were patrolling the 800 block of E. Olive when they saw a male adult subject loitering in the middle of the roadway. He was contacted and found to be in possession of drug paraphernalia. He was arrested and transported to the Monrovia Police Department jail.

### **Grand Theft Auto Recovery / Hit and Run – Suspect Arrested**

January 16 at 5:18 p.m., a caller reported that one of his neighbors was running after a male suspect in the 900 block of Norumbega. The suspect got into a red vehicle and fled the area south. The suspect then crashed the vehicle in the 600 block of Wildrose and ran from the vehicle. An investigation revealed the vehicle was reported stolen in the city of San Bernardino the same day, after the victim left her keys in the ignition with newly purchased groceries. A search for the suspect was conducted with neighboring agencies. The suspect was eventually located hiding in the backyard of a home on Wildrose. He was arrested and transported to the Monrovia Police Department jail. The owner of the stolen vehicle was notified.

### **Assault Report**

January 16 at 7:15 p.m., an off-duty Los Angeles Sheriff's Deputy detained a suspect at a local bar in the 600 block of S. Myrtle after he hit someone with a chair. Officers arrived and found that the possible victim had already left the location. An investigation revealed that the suspect and victim are co-workers, and that the assault occurred after the victim called the suspect a racial slur. During the fight the suspect picked up a chair and hit the victim in the back with it. This investigation is continuing.

### **Missing Person**

January 16 at 7:42 p.m., a male subject in the 3300 block of S. Peck reported his girlfriend missing. She was last seen at a business in the area when she walked away at 4:00 p.m.

She suffers from multiple mental disorders. She was entered into the national missing person's database.

### **Warrant – Suspect Arrested**

January 17 at 4:37 p.m., officers responded to the 200 block of W. Cherry regarding a suspect in the area with a possible warrant for his arrest. The subject was located and positively identified. A computer check revealed he had a \$250,000 warrant for his arrest. He was arrested and transported to the Monrovia Police Department jail.

### **Trespass – Suspect Arrested**

January 17 at 7:42 p.m., a resident in the 1100 block of Teresita reported that a subject was trespassing on her property. Officers arrived and detained the subject down the street. It was learned that this same subject already had a pending trespassing case from the same location. The resident desired prosecution and has no idea who the subject is and why he keeps returning to her property. He was arrested and released with a citation.

### **Battery**

January 17 at 9:27 p.m., officers responded to a restaurant in the 600 block of W. Huntington regarding to subjects fighting inside the location. Upon arrival officers discovered that the suspect had already left the location. The victim told officers he was punched in the face in an unprovoked attack. This investigation is continuing.

### **Vehicle Burglary**

January 18 at 8:01 a.m., an employee of a church in the 400 block of E. Huntington arrived at the location and discovered someone had forced entry into a trailer parked in their back parking lot. The suspect stole all the church sound equipment from inside the trailer. This investigation is continuing.

### **Grand Theft Auto**

January 18 at 11:03 a.m., a resident in the 200 block of S. Madison walked outside and discovered someone had stolen her vehicle sometime during the night. Officers searched for the vehicle, but could not locate it. The vehicle was entered into the Stolen Vehicle System. This investigation is continuing.

### **Burglary**

January 19 at 8:00 a.m., a resident at an apartment complex in the 200 block of W. Pomona received an email from the management company for all residents to check their parking garage storage units for possible break-ins. The resident checked his and discovered someone had forced entry into the unit sometime during the night, and personal property had been stolen. This investigation is continuing.

### **Grand Theft Auto Attempt**

January 19 at 8:29 a.m., a resident in the 100 block of N. Grand walked outside his home and discovered someone had attempted to take his vehicle. The steering column and steering wheel were damaged, however, the suspect was unsuccessful in the theft. This investigation is continuing.

### **Grand Theft Auto Recovery**

January 19 at 8:46 a.m., the Sierra Madre Police Department discovered a stolen vehicle parked and unoccupied in the 1600 block of Rosewood, two blocks from the victim's home. The vehicle had been reported stolen by its owner the day before to the Monrovia Police Department. Monrovia officers responded and recovered the vehicle. The vehicle was returned to its owner. This investigation is continuing.

### **Burglary**

January 19 at 2:56 p.m., a resident in the 300 block of Valley Circle discovered someone had gained entry into his garage and stole his bicycle. This investigation is continuing.

### **Mental Evaluation**

January 19 at 4:57 p.m., several callers reported an adult male subject was yelling at Junior High School children and walked in front of cars moving at high speeds in the 100 block of W. Duarte. Officers arrived and located the subject. It was determined that he needed to be evaluated by a mental health professional. He was transported to a local facility for treatment.

### **Grand Theft**

January 19 at 8:40 p.m., a victim called and reported that someone had stolen the catalytic converter off of her Honda Accord. Sierra Madre Police Department recently arrested three catalytic converter theft suspects and this incident is believed to be related. Sierra Madre PD was notified and they will be contacting the victim. This investigation is continuing.

### **Non-Injury Traffic Collision / Hit and Run**

January 19 at 9:18 p.m., a victim was driving east on Evergreen approaching a green light at California. Upon entering the intersection, the other party ran a red light, traveling south on California, and collided with the victim in the intersection. The other party fled the scene. This investigation is continuing.

## **Tip of the Week**

### **Vehicle Burglary Prevention**

Thieves look for easy and inviting targets when it comes to selecting a vehicle to burglarize or steal from. It is up to you to make every effort to prevent your car from being targeted. Here are some basic tips that will make your vehicle a little less inviting to a thief:

- LOCK your car!
- DO NOT leave valuables in plain view.
- Leave all items of value at home, if possible.
- Always park in well-lighted areas.
- Install motion lights in your driveway.
- Install and use a vehicle alarm.
- Look around when you park. Notice anyone or anything suspicious? Write down license plates and descriptions. Alert on-site security or staff and CALL the police.



Many auto burglaries or thefts from cars occur right in a residential driveway and too often it is because the vehicle was never locked. Suspects will often target cars that are left unlocked, walking up and down a street trying car doors all the way. Take the time to secure your vehicle.

Other thieves target victims by watching what is placed inside a trunk or hatch. If you plan on stopping by the gym, park, or elsewhere after work, take the time before you leave to place your belongings safely in the trunk. Don't wait until you park to then transfer your laptop, purse, bag, or briefcase to the trunk. Thieves may be watching and targeting your car.

### **Follow the Monrovia Police Department on our social media!**

*Facebook: Monrovia Police Department*

*Instagram: @monroviapolicedepartment*

*Twitter: @MonroviaPolice*



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

The poster features a green background with white and yellow text. At the top left, the word "SAFE" is in white, and "schools" is in large green letters. To the right, "\$100" is in large white letters, followed by "anti-violence" in white and "REWARD" in large yellow letters. In the center, there is a circular logo for the Community Activist Policing Bureau (CAP) with a blue and yellow design. 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!!!



# STOP GRAFFITI PROGRAM

STEP 1 - See a criminal graffitiing and destroying property

STEP 2 - Call **9-1-1**

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
- 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)

