



## Crime Alert and Community Update Bulletin

Crime statistics at a glance:

|                        | 12/16 – 12/22   | 12/23 – 12/29   |
|------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Robberies              | 0               | 2               |
| Residential Burglaries | 2 (+ 1 attempt) | 1 + 1 attempt   |
| Commercial Burglaries  | 2               | 1               |
| Vehicle Burglaries     | 12              | 6               |
| Stolen Vehicles        | 4 (2 recovered) | 1 (1 recovered) |

### Notable Cases

On Wednesday, 12-25-13 at approximately 1:44 a.m., Officer Garrett Larsen was dispatched to the area of the 200 block of Estelle Lane on a report of suspicious subjects taking items from vehicles. Officer Larsen contacted two subjects matching the description given to him by the dispatcher and noticed one subject was concealing something into his waistband while turning away from him. The item was a pair of sunglasses, and the subject became evasive when Officer Larsen started questioning him about the sunglasses. Officers Tony Baroni and Taylor Johnson then arrived, and they found miscellaneous items on the other subject's person. Three vehicles in the area were burglarized. The subjects, both 18-year old Daly City residents, were arrested for conspiracy, petty theft and receiving stolen property.

On Thursday, 12-26-13, at 6:14 p.m., Officer Matt Ciucci and Officer Sean Begley were dispatched to the Target store on a report of a male with bruises on his face screaming for help in the store. The reporting party said the subject said someone was trying to kill him. Officers arrived, but the subject had left the store. Another reporting party saw the subject walking on the off ramp of southbound interstate 280 near Serramonte Boulevard. Officers then contacted the subject who was subsequently arrested for possession of a controlled substance, being under the influence of a controlled substance, possession of a controlled substance without a prescription and possession of burglary tools. (The suspect, a 27-year old transient, said he intended to burglarize vehicles in the parking lot.)

On Friday, 12-27-13 at approximately 7:13 a.m., officers were dispatched to the vacant Sports Authority store on Gellert Boulevard on a report of an unresponsive male, bleeding and lying face down. Investigators determined that the victim, a 48-year old Atherton resident, was the victim of death due to accidental circumstances.

On Sunday, 12-29-13, at 11:56 p.m., officers were dispatched to the 500 block of Schwerin Street on a report of a medical call. The paramedics arrived, and the officers left the scene.

Approximately one half hour later, officers were dispatched back to the address on a report of a stolen ambulance. The vehicle was located on the 300 block of Otilia Drive. The victim was treated at the scene, and luckily no transport was needed. Officers are currently investigating this case.

## Robberies

There were two robberies during this past week.

On Saturday, 12-28-13, at 4:39 a.m., Officer Taylor Johnson was driving northbound on Mission Street approaching Crocker Avenue when he heard a female scream, saying, "He took my purse". Officer Johnson saw a female subject running after a male who had a pink purse in his hand. The male, a 31-year old Mountain View resident, was subsequently arrested for robbery and providing a false name to police officers. The victim, a 23-year old San Francisco resident, was unharmed.

On Saturday, 12-28-13 at approximately 10:40 p.m., Officer Christian Poteat was dispatched to the unit block of Poncetta Drive on a report of a strong arm robbery in which the victim was pushed to the ground and had her purse taken by two subjects. Dispatch advised that the two subjects were described as black males in their mid-20's, with one wearing a black hooded sweatshirt and the second one wearing white pants and were last seen on foot towards the Boulevard restaurant. The victim said she and her two friends were walking from the Daly City BART station towards Poncetta Drive on a dirt path near a chain link fence when they saw two dark figures approach her. One subject said, "I'm sorry ladies, but I'm going to have to ask you to drop your bags." Following that, the suspect in the dark hooded sweatshirt reached for the victim's strap of her backpack and pulled it, and a struggle ensued. During the struggle, the 22-year old victim said she fell to the ground, and she held on to the backpack. The suspect then ran toward the apartment complex without the backpack. The other victim, a 52-year Daly City resident, said she tried to hold on to her tote bag, but the suspect pulled it away from her. The tote bag contained a wallet, currency, bank cards, two cell phones, sunglasses and a camera. Both victims declined medical attention. Several officers at the scene conducted a search of the area but were unable to locate the suspects.

## Residential Burglaries

There was one residential burglary and one attempted residential burglary during the past week.

On Friday, 12-27-13 between 9:00 a.m. and 9:59 a.m., a residence on the 200 block of Alta Vista Way was burglarized. An unknown suspect broke the lower rear bedroom window, ransacked the bedrooms and stole clothing, cash, a DVD player and other miscellaneous electronics.

On Friday, 12-27-13 at 1:00 p.m., an unknown subject smashed a rear window of an in-law apartment of a residence on the unit block of Seacrest Court in an attempt to gain entry. A neighbor said he was standing outside when he heard the sound of glass breaking and saw two subjects described as black males, early 20's approximately, 5'9", wearing dark colored hoodies over their heads and latex gloves. The neighbor saw the subjects flee in a dark colored Pontiac Grand Am. This investigation is continuing.

## Commercial Burglaries

There was one commercial burglary during the past week.

On Wednesday, 12-25-13, the former Sports Authority building was burglarized by two suspects who stole copper piping. The suspects have been identified, and this case is being investigated by burglary detectives.

## Vehicle Burglaries

There were six vehicle burglaries during the past week.

- Outback Restaurant parking lot (rear)—cash, lottery tickets and miscellaneous clothing taken from a 2004 Ford Mustang. The driver's side window was smashed. Occurred between 10:00 p.m. on 12-23-13 and 8:45 a.m. on 12-24-13.
- Parking garage at 1500 Southgate Avenue—a purse was taken from the rear passenger floorboard of a 2004 Honda. The rear passenger window was smashed. Occurred between 8:30 p.m. on 12-26-13 and 10:00 a.m. on 12-27-13.
- Serramonte Shopping Center parking lot near Buffalo Wild Wings—a backpack containing a Canon camera and a suitcase containing a laptop and an iPad was taken from a 2013 Ford Escape. The rear driver's side window was broken. Occurred on 12-27-13 between 5:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> floor garage on the 400 block of Hickey Boulevard—a purse containing a driver's license, credit cards and cash was taken from a 2013 RAV4. The passenger window was smashed. Occurred on 12-29-13 between 10:20 a.m. and 12:45 p.m.
- Outback Restaurant parking lot—sunglasses and a backpack containing a laptop and a stethoscope were taken from a 2003 Isuzu Ascender. The rear passenger window was smashed. Occurred on 12-29-13 between 8:00 p.m. and 9:10 p.m.
- Serramonte Shopping Center parking lot near Buffalo Wild Wings—two duffel bags containing clothing was taken from a 2013 Subaru Crosstrack. The rear passenger window was smashed. Occurred on 12-29-13 between 12:00 p.m. and 10:31 p.m.

## Stolen Vehicles

There was one stolen vehicle during the past week. It was recovered the next day.

- Home Depot Garage (2<sup>nd</sup> floor)—a 1989 Toyota pickup. Occurred on 12-24-13 between 11:15 a.m. and 11:45 a.m. \*\*Recovered by Pacifica P.D. on 12-25-13.

## Scams/Other

None to report.

## Community Events

### **Avoid the 23 DUI Task Force**

This holiday season, the Police, Sheriff and the CHP will be out in force cracking down on drunk drivers throughout the region with aggressive “*Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over*” enforcement. From Dec. 13, 2013, to Jan. 1, 2014, state and local law enforcement will be helping to keep roads safe for holiday travelers by watching for drunk drivers.

The Avoid the 23 DUI Task Force will be aggressively looking for drunk drivers this holiday season with plans in place for two DUI/Driver’s License Checkpoints, a Multi-Agency Strike Team, twelve local roving DUI Saturation Patrols and a DUI Warrant/Probation Sweep.

The Avoid the 23 DUI Task Force funding is provided by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration that reminds everyone: Report Drunk Drivers! Call 9-1-1.

### **Christmas Tree Collection**

Collection of Christmas trees will take place on regular service days, beginning Thursday, December 26 through Friday, January 31, 2014. Please follow these collection guidelines when placing your tree out for collection:

- Trees must be cut into four foot sections
- Stands, lights and decorations must be removed
- Flocked trees will be collected but not recycled
- Multi-family residents must call customer service at (650) 756-1130 to arrange for pick up
- Place trees next to yard waste cart for removal

### **City Offices to Close During the Winter Holidays**

In response to the continued financial challenges facing the City of Daly City, City offices, including libraries and recreation facilities, will be closed beginning Tuesday, December 24, 2013 through Wednesday, January 1, 2014. City offices will re-open at 8:00 a.m. on Thursday, January 2, 2014. During this period, parking enforcement to accommodate street sweeping will be suspended. Street sweeping and related parking enforcement will resume on Thursday, January 2, 2014.

### **New Bayshore Shuttle Service**

A free mid-week shuttle will begin service in the Bayshore Neighborhood on Monday, January 6, 2014. The shuttle is entirely grant-funded and managed by the San Mateo County Transit District. A group of stakeholders from the Bayshore Neighborhood identified the need for a circulator shuttle when they collaborated with staff from Daly City, Sam Trans, and the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency to develop a Community-based Transportation Plan.

The shuttle provides Bayshore residents mobility opportunities in an area with few other public transit options. Service will start at 6:30 a.m. weekdays and continue through the morning commute, with the last shuttle departing the Bayshore Community Center at 10:38 a.m. Service resumes in the afternoon with the first departure from the 7 Mile House on Bayshore Boulevard at 4:00 p.m. A complete route map and timetable is available online at [www.dalycity.org/bayshoreshuttle](http://www.dalycity.org/bayshoreshuttle).

Shuttle destinations include the North Peninsula Food Pantry and Dining Center of Daly City (Top of the Hill), Civic Center (City Hall, DMV, Peninsula Works, the Daly City Community Service Center, and Mike Nevin Health Center), Serramonte Center, Seton Medical Center, Safeway, and

Walgreens. The shuttle also provides connections to Sam Trans and Muni service (regular fare is required for connecting service). Additionally, the shuttle has scheduled stops at the Daly City and Balboa Park BART stations.

The shuttle is wheelchair accessible. For more information about the new Bayshore Shuttle, call Sam Trans customer service at (800) 660-4287 or visit [www.samtrans.com/DCB](http://www.samtrans.com/DCB).

### **Nixle**

“What is Nixle?” Residents can now receive important advisories, community updates, and official information from the Police Department by text message and email! There are several police agencies in San Mateo County already utilizing this service, and our Police Department just got the go-ahead to start publishing information. Please sign up on our website <http://www.dalycity.org/police> and learn more at [www.nixle.com](http://www.nixle.com). For those of you who cannot get enough of social media, the Daly City Police Department has a Twitter account (@DalyCityPD) and also a Facebook page. (Please “Like Us” on Facebook so you can receive updates about the Police Department!) This weekly bulletin will still remain.

### **iHelp**

The City of Daly City launched “iHelp”, an innovative citizen’s service request and civic engagement tool allowing residents to easily interact and stay connected with their local government. *Daly City iHelp* is a free mobile device application (“app”) and is available from the Apple and Google app stores for immediate download. By utilizing this service, residents can access important City information, report issues (graffiti, garbage complaints, etc.), and track requests online and via mobile devices. Please take a moment to download the app or go to the city of Daly City website to see what requests have been already made on *iHelp*. For requests to the Police Department, please note the app is **not** maintained 24 hours per day, and service requests must be of a non-urgent matter.

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If you have any suggestions or questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. Thank you for your concern for our community. May 2014 be a year full of good health and happiness for you and your families.

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