



# Crime Alert and Community Update Bulletin

Crime statistics at a glance:

	2/18 – 2/24	2/25 – 3/3	Year to Date
Robberies	2	2	<b>13</b>
Residential Burglaries	1	0	<b>10 + 1 attempted</b>
Commercial Burglaries	4	4	<b>27 + 3 attempted</b>
Vehicle Burglaries	15	2 + 1 attempted	<b>92 + 8 attempted</b>
Stolen Vehicles	2	0	<b>23 + 1 attempted</b>

When I mention “the unit block” of a street, this means the incident occurred at an address anywhere between 1 and 99 of the street.

## Notable Cases

On Monday, 02-25-19 at 6:57 p.m., several officers were dispatched to the carport area of the 300 block of **Palmcrest Drive** on a report of a subject who held a knife up to the reporting party/victim. The 21-year old reporting party said he was in his vehicle with his girlfriend and was backing out of a parking stall when he saw a subject sitting in a chair and staring at him. The reporting party said he rolled down his window and asked the subject if he had a problem. The subject told the reporting party that his girlfriend was out to get him. The reporting party told the subject they didn't know him, and he said the subject then held up a knife and said that he didn't want to fight his girlfriend and that he wanted to fight him. The reporting party said he was afraid and drove out of the stall and called to report the incident. Officers were unable to locate the suspect. The victim was not harmed.

On Friday, 03-01-19 at 2:45 a.m., Officer Lizana and Officer Tualaulelei were on patrol in the parking lot of **Gellert Park** and saw a male subject standing near a picnic table. Realizing that this subject was in the park after hours, Officer Lizana exited his patrol car to initiate a pedestrian stop. The subject walked away from the officer, and Officer Mendiara responded to assist. The subject led the officers on a foot chase, and Officer Mendiara suffered an injury to his head in the process. Officers placed the subject, a 34-year old Pacifica resident, under arrest for resisting a peace officer, causing a serious bodily injury.

On Friday, 03-01-19 at 10:23 a.m., Officer Haas was dispatched to the **Serramonte Shopping Center** on a report of a commercial burglary at the **Maze Watch** repair kiosk. The reporting party said that an unknown subject stole the computerized credit card reader the night before between 9:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m. The reporting party said that Serramonte security had video of the incident. Officer Haas reviewed the video and saw a subject reaching over the counter and ripping out the computerized credit card reader from the wall. Officer Haas continued to look through the video and followed the subject to the Target store. Using Target's security video, Officer Haas was able to obtain a clear image of the subject who had a large tattoo on his neck. Through Officer Haas' tenacious investigative

efforts, he was able to identify and arrest the suspect, a 27-year old San Francisco resident, for burglary, grand theft, computer access and fraud, identity theft with a prior and disobeying a court order.

On Friday, 03-01-19 at approximately 2:58 p.m., Officer Hart was assigned to patrol the **Serramonte Shopping Center** due to a heavy increase in auto burglaries and organized retail thefts from various clothing stores within the mall. Officer Hart saw two female subjects carrying large bags and walking at a fast pace from the exit mall doors. Upon closer look, Officer Hart could see several magnetic security devices attached to the clothing items that were protruding out of the bags. Officer Hart drove around the parking lot to approach the females, and as he did, he saw a Serramonte Shopping Center security guard exiting the mall trying to catch up with the females. Both subjects, 29 and 39-year old San Francisco residents, were arrested for organized retail theft. The 29-year old was additionally charged with resisting arrest.

On Friday, 03-01-19 at 5:59 p.m., Officer Hyink was dispatched to the 300 block of **Park Plaza Drive** on the report of a possible commercial burglary via roof access by three suspects who had fled when contacted by the Westlake Mall Security. The security officers detained one subject, a 15-year old San Mateo resident. The juvenile had a window punch and less than an ounce of marijuana in his possession. Officers arrested the subject and released him to the custody of a parent/guardian with a promise to appear in court.

On Friday, 03-01-19 at 10:43 p.m., Officer Chow was dispatched to the area of **Citrus Avenue** and **San Diego Avenue** on a report of a subject who was found under the reporting party's vehicle. Officer Covarrubias arrived to assist in translation, but the subject was severely intoxicated to the point where he could not stand on his own, tell his name, or answer any general questions. Officer Chow arrested the subject, a 24-year old Daly City resident, for public intoxication. Due to the subject's level of intoxication, he was taken to Seton Medical Center.

On Sunday, 03-03-19 at 6:42 a.m., Officer Edwards was dispatched to a report of a just-occurred armed robbery. The victim, a 40-year old Daly City resident, said she was had gotten off a MUNI bus at the "**Top of the Hill**" and said she was robbed by gunpoint by three unknown Hispanic males. The victim said one suspect pointed a gun at her face, and one of the other suspects demanded her purse. The victim said after one suspect grabbed her purse, all three suspects ran northbound on **Mission Street**. The victim described all three suspects as being 20-30 years old. The loss was the victim's Michael Kors purse containing a Michael Kors wallet, miscellaneous credit cards, \$500, keys and a cell phone. Officers canvassed the area but could not find the suspects. The victim did not appear to have any physical injuries and refused medical help. This investigation is continuing.

## Robberies

There were two robberies during the past week.

On Sunday, 03-03-19 at 6:42 a.m., a 40-year old Daly City resident was the victim of an armed robbery at the "**Top of the Hill**" area of Daly City. See "Notable Reports" for more information.

On Sunday, 03-03-19 at 12:10 p.m., a Loss prevention officer for **Target** was involved in a violent confrontation with a shoplifter. The loss prevention officer observed a subject stealing items and then walking out of the store without paying for them. The loss prevention officer advised the subject that he was being arrested for shoplifting and said the subject walked away from him. Another loss prevention officer responded to assist, and when they tried to grab the subject's arm, they said the subject pulled away and began flailing his arms. Serramonte Mall security officers also responded, and the subject hit several of the officers and threw close fist punches at the officers. The subject, a 41-year old Daly City resident, was eventually detained and arrested for robbery, commercial burglary and was placed on a probation hold.

## Residential Burglaries

There were no residential burglaries during the past week.

## Commercial Burglaries

There were four commercial burglaries during the past week.

On Tuesday, 02-26-19 at approximately 3:30 p.m., an unknown subject broke the door handle and frame to enter the **Westmoor Clubhouse**. The alarm was triggered, and the subject left the scene.

On Wednesday, 02-27-19 between 5:44 a.m. and 6:30 a.m., two unknown subjects pried the frame of the front door to the **Palace Laundromat** on **Geneva Avenue** and took money from the coin machine. This investigation is continuing.

On Thursday, 02-28-19 between 9:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m., a 27-year old San Francisco resident stole a computerized credit card reader from a kiosk at Serramonte Shopping Center. He was arrested the next day for the crime. See “notable reports” for more information.

On Thursday, 02-28-19 between 8:30 p.m. and 10:10 p.m., an unknown subject cut the padlock from a locker in the men’s locker room of the **Planet Fitness** facility. The subject stole the victim’s clothing, wallet and keys. The subject used the credit card at a nearby business. This investigation is continuing.

## Vehicle Burglaries

There were two vehicle burglaries and one attempted vehicle burglary reported during the past week. This is a considerable reduction from the 15 that were reported last week. Hopefully this could be attributed to extra patrols and/or inclement weather.

- Parking lot of 333 **Gellert Boulevard**—a thermos and miscellaneous paperwork were taken from a 2017 Toyota Sienna. The right rear window was smashed. Occurred on 02-28-19 at 4:03 p.m.
- **Classic Bowl** parking lot—clothing and keys were taken from a 2019 Hyundai Elantra. The right rear window was smashed. Occurred on 03-03-19 between 10:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.
- **Party City** parking lot—an attempted burglary to a 2018 Hyundai Elantra. The left front window was smashed. Occurred on 03-02-19 between 2:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m.

## Stolen Vehicles

There were no vehicles stolen during the past week.

## Miscellaneous

- There were 6 domestic disturbance cases reported
- There were 3 shoplifting incidents reported
- There were 13 cases involving an involuntary psychiatric hold
- There were 6 malicious mischief/vandalism cases reported
- There were 2 hit and run collisions reported

## Scams/Other

Nothing to report.

## Community Events/Information

### **Free Household Hazardous Waste Disposal—Saturday, March 9<sup>th</sup>**

Do you have any household cleaning products, propane tanks, garden chemicals, paints, paint thinners, fluorescent lights, used motor oil and oil filters, batteries, fertilizers, pesticides you need to dispose? These products are often labeled as toxic, poisonous, combustible, corrosive, flammable or irritant. Daly City residents can safely dispose of these items free of charge at a special drop-off collection event on Saturday, March 9<sup>th</sup>. To participate, residents **must** schedule an appointment at San Mateo County's Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) program: [www.smchealth.org/hhw](http://www.smchealth.org/hhw) or by calling (650) 363-4718 and selecting option 3. The exact location and directions will be provided after you make an appointment. There is a restriction of 10 gallons or 50 pounds per appointment based on transportation regulations. NO business waste. It is unlawful to dispose many types of common household waste into landfill-bound residential and commercial garbage receptacles.

### **Literacy Day, Saturday March 30**

On Saturday, March 30, 2019, from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., the Daly City Peninsula Partnership, Jefferson Elementary School District and Jefferson PTA will be hosting their 17<sup>th</sup> annual Free Family Literacy and Health Day for students from all schools throughout Daly City and Colma. This event will be held at Susan B. Anthony School, and they will be offering free books, free lunch, raffle prizes, entertainment and activities designed for a day of fun for the entire family. They are also seeking donations of the following items: cash or gift card donations toward the event, raffle prize items for youth or adults, food donations, bookmarks, pencils, pens, educational materials, and children's books. If you are interested in donating, please e-mail Michelle at [michelle@dcpartnership.org](mailto:michelle@dcpartnership.org).

### **San Mateo County Alert System (SMC)**

Have you signed up to receive these alerts? This alert is a free digital communication system used by emergency management agencies and first responders to send emergency alerts, notifications and updates to portable digital devices. In an emergency situation, an alert will be sent by San Mateo County authorized personnel and you will receive messages on your cell phone or mobile device. Most carriers activate the service automatically. To receive emergency alerts, sign up by visiting [www.smcalert.info](http://www.smcalert.info). According to County records, Daly City has the lowest number of registered users in the county. Please sign up today!

### **Nextdoor.com**

Nextdoor.com is a free private social networking website for your neighborhood. This private network ensures that only those who live in your neighborhood can join; users must go through a verification process. Neighbors ask each other for business recommendations; help in locating missing pets; discuss relevant local government issues; or connect for other reasons. It is very easy to sign up. I like the fact that the site verifies users by addresses, and it won't allow people to access to a neighborhood if they don't live there. Please note: The City of Daly City and/or the Police Department cannot see what residents post—we are only allowed to post information. There is also a mobile application, or you can have it sent to your e-mail. Give it a try! [www.nextdoor.com](http://www.nextdoor.com)

## **Digital/Social Media**

Please “like” us on Facebook if you would like to see updates and photos about the Police Department. Our handle on Twitter is @DalyCityPD, and on Instagram we are DalyCityPD, if you would like to follow us.

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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. I appreciate you taking the time to read my bulletins. Your comments are always welcome!

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