District Commander Message

Dear neighbors,

As we enter the second half of the year with overall decreases in crime categories that have plagued us for many years I am reminded that we still have much work to do, but this is tempered with knowing that much of what has been accomplished is a direct result of efforts at the community level. Our relationships and communication with residents and business owners in beat 7 have been instrumental in finding workable solutions to crime and quality of life issues in our community. I wanted to recognize the community for working with us and I wanted to thank all of the Northern District officers that have been doing exceptional work each day to make Richmond a safer place.

Building and maintaining relationships between the police and the community are key components to decreasing crime. We have a geographic deployment that emphasizes immersing beat officers in neighborhoods over long periods of time and one advantage of doing so is that it allows people get to know who the beat officers are. If you haven’t had a chance to meet with your beat officers or you would like to chat with them I would encourage you to stop in at the Coffee with a Cop event on June 7th at Catahoula from 9:00 am to 11:00 am to say hello - I look forward to seeing you there!

Captain Manjit Sappal
Significant Events

**May 8th**: A felony suspect barricaded himself inside his residence in the 3700 block of Garvin Avenue. Crisis Negotiation Team Officers Peixoto and Therriault were able to convince the suspect to surrender without incident.

**May 12th**: An injury hit and run accident occurred at 23rd Street/Lincoln Avenue. A witness provided suspect information which allowed Traffic Officer Bell to make an arrest the following day.

**May 14th**: Officer Rogers arrested a prostitute in the 700 of block 23rd Street for prostitution and outstanding warrants.

**May 17th**: A shooting occurred in the 2900 block of Esmond Avenue as a known gang member was driving through the district. The victim was not struck by gunfire and the case is still open.

**May 18th**: Officer Sousa contacted loiterers near the taco truck at 12955 San Pablo Avenue (Gonzales Restaurant). A suspect was arrested for being in possession of a firearm.

**May 19th**: Officer Caine contacted a loiterer at McDonald’s restaurant at 2301 Macdonald Avenue. The suspect was a sex offender out of compliance and was arrested.

**May 22nd**: The Traffic Unit conducted a pedestrian decoy operation in Beat 7 targeting motorists not yielding to pedestrians in crosswalks. The operation yielded 50 crosswalk violation citations, 9 citations for unlicensed drivers, and 4 citations for driving with a suspended license. Traffic Officer Riley coordinated the operation.
Significant Events

**May 23rd:** Lieutenant Pickett coordinated an on-going prostitution operation along the 23rd Street corridor. The operation resulted in five arrests for soliciting prostitution.

**May 26th:** Traffic Officer Reid conducted a DUI arrest at Barrett Avenue/San Pablo Avenue with the assistance of a Korean translation service by telephone.

**May 27th:** Officer Caine observed a known suspect seated in a car in the 800 block of McLaughlin Street. Officer Caine was aware the suspect had a suspended license and waited for him to drive away. Officer Caine conducted a traffic enforcement stop and subsequently arrested the suspect for being in possession of a loaded firearm.

**May 27th:** Officers responded to a Shot Spotter activation in the 2700 block of McBryde Avenue. Officers discovered a large pit bull had been shot after it attacked its owner.

**May 28th:** Officers responded to 3611 Andrade Avenue for a burglary of a foreclosed residence. A neighbor reported two suspects had removed a stove from the residence and drove away in a pickup truck. Officer Caine located the vehicle and arrested both suspects without incident.

**May 29th:** Lieutenant Pickett coordinated an on-going prostitution operation along the 23rd Street corridor. The operation resulted in the arrest of 3 suspects for prostitution and 1 suspect for soliciting prostitution.

**May 29th:** Sergeant Lonso and Officer Radetich conducted a stop on a bicyclist in the 2400 block of Wendell Avenue and arrested the bicyclist for an outstanding theft warrant and for being in possession of methamphetamine.

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**Beat 7 Officers**

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June 7, 2014
9 am-11 am
Catahoula Coffee Co.
12472 San Pablo Ave,
Richmond, CA

JOIN YOUR NEIGHBORS AND POLICE OFFICERS FOR COFFEE AND CONVERSATION!

No agenda or speeches, just a chance to ask questions, voice concerns, and get to know the officers in your neighborhood!

Contact Sergeant Al Walle at awalle@richmondpd.net with any questions

Richmond Police Department