

August 2014 Police Department Report

September 5, 2014

- Department Personnel
 - We are fully staffed at 10 sworn positions with three reserve officers.
 - We are continuing the background process for a fourth reserve officer candidate.
- Commendations and Correspondence- None this Month
- Investigation of Alleged Misconduct
 - Citizen's Complaint #CI 2014-03 was initiated on May 12th on an allegation that an officer failed to perform his duty and that another allowed this failure to occur and had used a despairing remark in describing the community. This investigation is being conducted by Sergeant Hui.
 - Department Investigation 2014-04 was initiated on May 23rd on an allegation that an officer engaged in conduct unbecoming an officer while off duty. This investigation is being conducted by Chief Harman.
 - Citizen's Complaint #CI 2014-05 was initiated on August 8th on an allegation that an officer was rude to the complainant while the officer was investigating a crime at his next door neighbor's residence. The investigation was conducted and completed on August 26th by Corporal Stegman with a finding of exoneration of the officer.
- 9-1-1 / Richmond Communication Center Information.
 - The Ring Time Report for August identified 31 "911" calls for service with three calls having a ring time over 20 seconds. The average ring time for the month of August was 8 seconds.

- Community Networking
 - On 08-05-14, National Night Out, see Chief’s report for details.
 - On 08-11-14, Chief Harman and Officer Wilson attended the Kensington Public Safety Council meeting.
 - On 08-25-14, Chief Harman attended the KIC meeting.
 - On 08-28-14, Chief Harman attended the “Earthquake Preparedness Workshop”, sponsored by the Kensington Public Safety Council.
- Community Criminal Activity
 - This section of the Watch Commanders Reports are prepared by Corporal Stegman for Team One, Sergeant Hui for Team Two, and Sergeant Barrow for Investigations.

- Watch Commander Reports

- **Corporal Stegman**

Team 1 Statistics

Officer:	Ramos K41 (0800 - 1800)	Turner (0600- 1800)	Wilson (1800- 0600)
Days Worked	14	13	14
Traffic Stops	24	36	5
Moving Citations	10	21	2
Parking Citations	0	6	4
Vacation			
Security Checks	6	40	48
Field Interviews	0	0	0
Traffic Collision Reports	1	0	0
Cases	1	9	0
Arrests	0	3	0
Calls for Service	21	69	38

BRIEFING/TRAINING:

- Reviewed KPD Policy 368-limited English proficiency service.
- Reviewed Case Law: Michigan v. Mosley.
- Reviewed KPD Policy 370- Hearing Impaired.
- Reviewed KPD Policy 374- Biological Samples.
- Reviewed KPD Policy 373- Mandatory School Employee Reporting.

SERGEANT'S SUMMARY:

In August Officer Wilson facilitated yet another successful National Night Out event. I know he puts a great deal of effort and time into these events, and I know we are all appreciative of his work. One of the main goals of the program is establishing partnership between the community and local police departments. As we know partnerships are ideally mutually beneficial relationships. When it comes to a police department's partnership with its community, I tend to think one of our greatest values to the community is our dissemination of information. This sharing hopefully creates better awareness and understanding by those we serve. Concurrently the community's greatest values to KPD is to provide us with extra eyes and ears. The reason an aware and alert community is valuable is it increases what issues are reported to KPD. In turn we are more likely to detect and arrest criminals. It really is a symbiotic relationship.

This month during National Night Out, Officer Wilson was tipped off by a resident of strange activity that according to the resident has been going on for years. In fact several of the surrounding neighbors had also noticed strange activity, but no one had ever bothered to call us. Officer Wilson and I wound up conducting a security check of the residence which revealed criminal activity had been occurring there for quite some time, including a large abandoned "marijuana grow house." Having worked on a narcotics task force, Sergeant Barrow and I have seen our share of grow houses and this one was *no* small time operation. This 8000 plus square foot house was actually among the largest residential grows we have ever seen.

Put simply, if you see something strange just give us a call. You are most certainly not bothering us. If you want to be anonymous you can be (although we'd prefer to talk with you for more information). Most people have fairly good instincts about things but they either don't trust themselves, or they rationalize, or justify things which KPD should be made aware of, and chose never to call us.

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- 2014-3860 –On 8/4/14, Officer Turner took a report of annoying phone calls, on the unit block of Avon Road.

- 2014-3880 –On 8/5/14, on a tip from a resident during National Night Out, Corporal Stegman and Officer Wilson conducted a security check on the 100 block of Lawson Road. As a result of the check it was learned there was a large abandoned indoor marijuana grow inside an 8,000 square foot house. During our investigation we learned it is likely to only have been shut down for an estimated six months to a year.
- 2014-3999 –On 8/12/14, Officer Turner arrested a suspect for displaying false tabs on their vehicle, in the 600 block of Parkside Court.
- 2014-4014 –On 8/12/14, Corporal Stegman arrested a suspect for being under the influence of narcotics, on the 200 block of Arlington Avenue.
- 2014-4162 –On 8/19/14, Officer Turner took a report of an identity theft, on the unit block of Kingston Drive.
- 2014-4264 –On 8/24/14, Officer Turner took a report of a vandalism, on the 100 block of Ardmore Drive.
- 2014-4274 –On 8/24/14, Sergeant Barrow, Corporal Stegman, and Officer Wilson responded to assist ECPD on the 500 block of Elm Street, with a barricaded subject who had inflicted serious injury on himself. The standoff lasted roughly three hours while ECPD negotiators attempted to negotiate with the distraught and belligerent male. Eventually the man decided to begin injuring himself further with a knife which prompted officers to make a tactical entry so as to prevent further injury to the man.
- 2014-4294 –On 8/25/14, Officer Turner arrested a suspect for driving without a license and not being in possession of his identification while operating a motor vehicle, near the intersection of Sunset Drive and Highgate Road.
- 2014-4311 –On 8/26/14, Officer Turner took a report of an indecent exposure, on the 200 block of Arlington Avenue.
- 2014-4315 –On 8/26/14, Officer Turner arrested a suspect with an outstanding arrest warrant, on the unit block of Avon Drive.
- 2014-4323 –On 8/26/14, Officer Turner took a report of burglary, on the unit block of Highgate Road.
- 2014-4337 –On 8/27/14, Officer Ramos took a report of a hit and run, on the unit block of Marchant Court.

- 2014-4434 –On 8/31/14, Reserve Officer Rosete and his training officer, Officer Turner, took a report of a vandalism at the intersection of Arlington Avenue and Norwood Avenue.

TRAFFIC STATISTICS:

Team #1 took 2 traffic collision reports during the month of August.

- 13 Moving citations were issued on Arlington Ave.
- 7 Moving citations were issued on Colusa Ave.
- 5 Moving citations were issued on Sunset Dr/ Franciscan Way.
- 6 Moving citation was issued on Grizzley Peak Blvd.
- 1 Moving citation was issued on Santa Fe Ave.
- 1 Moving citation was issued on Parkside Ct.

•• Sergeant Hui

TEAM #2 STATISTICS

Sergeant Hui (K42) - (1600-0400)

Master Sergeant Hull (K17) – issued 16 moving citations and 10 parking citations this month.

Officer:	Martinez (K31) (0600-1800)	Wilkins (K50) (1800-0600)
Days Worked	12	14
Traffic Stops	20	7
Moving Citations	16	6
Parking Citations	6	0
Vacation/Security	17	118
Checks		
Cases	3	1
Arrests	0	0
Traffic Accident Reports	1	0
Calls for Service	51	33

- Sergeant Hui took 12 hours of vacation leave.
- Officer Martinez took 36 hours of vacation leave.
- Officer Wilkins recovered 24 hours of comp time.

BRIEFING/TRAINING:

- Reviewed Case Law: Michigan v. Mosley
- Reviewed KPD Policy 368 – Limited English Proficiency Service
- Reviewed KPD Policy 370 – Hearing Impaired/Disabled Communication
- Reviewed KPD Policy 374 – Biological Samples
- Reviewed KPD Policy 372 – Mandatory School Employee Reporting

SERGEANT'S SUMMARY:

I'd like to thank everyone that participated in National Night Out this year. I would especially like to recognize all of our residents who hosted a NNO party, as well as Officer Wilson for coordinating the night's events. Although I was not working on National Night Out, I had the opportunity to attend the National Night Out party in my area and had a great time. I always enjoy the opportunity to meet with residents on a more informal basis.

On a different note, I'd like to touch upon the subject of earthquake preparedness. I am sure all of you have seen the damage in Napa from the earthquake this past month. I was fortunate enough to be working that evening when the earthquake struck. We were fortunate that it did not seem anyone sustained any damages or injuries. Both the Kensington Police and Fire Departments did not receive a call for service that day related to the earthquake.

Although we were lucky, it was an unnerving reminder that we are in earthquake country and that we should have preparations in place in the event that we are affected. Our webpage has a few documents that can help provide guidelines for compiling a disaster kit. These documents can be found here:

<http://kensingtoncalifornia.org/police-department/disaster-preparedness>

If these lists seem a bit too involved, I would at a minimum encourage you to have water and food supplies to last three days. That is the minimum recommendation specified by www.ready.gov. Other items that I would recommend would include a basic first aid kit, a cell phone, and a means to power your cell phone.

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- 2014-3803– On 8/1/2014, Officer Martinez responded to the 200 blk of Lake Dr on a report of a petty theft.
- 2014-4043- On 8/14/2014, Sergeant Hui met with a resident at KPD on a report of an identity theft.
- 2014-4207- On 8/21/2014, Officer Martinez responded to the 200 blk of Yale Ave on a report of a theft of a package.

- 2014-4368- On 8/28/2014, Officer Wilkens responded to the unit blk of Anson Wy on a report of a vandalism.
- 2014-4383- On 8/29/2014, Master Sergeant Hull responded to the unit blk of Kenyon Ave on a report of an identity theft.
- 2014-4379- On 8/29/2014, Officer Martinez responded to the unit blk of Highland Blvd on a report of an assault.

Reserve Officer:	Armanino (K47)
Days Worked	1
Traffic Stops	8
Moving Citations	3
Parking Citations	0
Vacation/Security	7
Checks	
Cases	0
Arrests	0
Traffic Accident Reports	0
Calls for Service	1

Traffic Totals for Team 2 – includes Master Sergeant Hull

15 citations were issued on Colusa Ave
 7 citations were issued on Arlington Ave
 2 citations were issued on Santa Fe Ave
 1 citation was issued on Amherst Ave

•• **Detective Sergeant Barrow**

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

2014-3897 Arrest for false identification to a peace officer, Possession of a controlled substance, and Possession of drug paraphernalia

On 8/7/2014, KPD Officers were dispatched to Lam Ct for a reported suspicious person, described as a white male, approximately 40 years of age, wearing a black t-shirt and white shorts. During an area check, Sgt. Hui located the male subject who gave a fictitious name. Officer Ramos and I arrived on scene. Based on prior contacts with KPD officers the true identity was obtained and through a records check the subject was discovered to be on probation for CVC 10851, stolen vehicle out of Contra Costa County. During a search of the subject's person incident to arrest, a glass pipe containing methamphetamine was located. The subject was arrested for PC148, false identification to a peace officer, H&S 11377, possession of a controlled substance, and H&S 11364, possession of drug paraphernalia.

2014-4337 Hit and Run Vehicle Collision.

On 8/27/2014, Officer Ramos was dispatched to a reported hit and run vehicle collision in the 00 block of Marchant Court. Through witness statements a license plate number was located and Officer Ramos and I contacted the suspect and owner of the vehicle. This case is closed and will be forwarded to the Contra Costa County District Attorney's Office for review.

KPD INVESTIGATIONS INFORMATION:

2012-7261 Residential Burglary

On 11/24/12, Officer Martinez responded to the 00 block of Arlington Avenue for a reported residential burglary. During the investigation items of evidentiary value were recovered at the scene and submitted to the Contra Costa County Crime Lab. Due to a back log at the crime lab this case was suspended. On 7/2/14, we received a completed crime lab report identifying a suspect in this case. The suspect is already in custody for similar crimes but not related to this case. **Update, on 8/15/2014, I arrived at the Contra Costa County West County Detention Facility in Pinole and conducted an interview with the suspect. After the interview I arrested him for burglary as he was due to be released on 8/17/2014 from his previous case. This case was filed with the Contra Costa County District Attorney's Office for PC. 459 Residential Burglary.**

2014-3298 Burglary/ Lewd and Lascivious Acts Committed Against a Child.

On Monday, July 7, 2014, at 0113 hours, KPD Officers were dispatched to the 00 block of Lenox Road on a report of an unknown suspect found in bed with an 11 year old female victim. The suspect ran from the residence when the victim woke up and began to scream. An El Cerrito Police K9 unit searched the area but the suspect was not located.

At approximately 0439 hours, Berkeley police officers were dispatched to the 700 block Vicente Street in Berkeley for a reported prowler. Berkeley police officers stopped a subject matching the description of the Berkeley and Kensington suspect in the area of The Alameda and Tacoma Avenue in Berkeley.

An infield show-up positively identified Brian Hubbard, a black male adult, 22 years old, from the City of Richmond as the suspect in both incidents. Kensington Police took custody of Hubbard as the more serious crime occurred in Kensington. Hubbard was arrested and booked into the Martinez Detention Facility.

Hubbard has been charged with 3 counts of PC. 459/460(a), First Degree Residential Burglary and 1 count of PC. 288(b)(1), Forcible Lewd Act upon a Child, with additional enhancements. Hubbard's bail was set at \$2,250,000.00. This case is still under investigation, other victims have been identified, and we are working with the Contra Costa County DA's

Office seeking additional felony charges.

KPD INVESTIGATIONS

- I made court runs to file cases and retrieve court notifications and had two arrest warrants signed by judges.
- I updated the KPD Case Review Log.
- I review all cases and incidents to ascertain if any further follow up is warranted.
- I reviewed the "Trak Flyer" messages and maintained the flyer board.
- I assisted WestNet in serving several search warrants, made arrests, and surveillance for suspects.
- I have also been assisting patrol during traffic stops, calls for service, and acting as a cover officer.

KPD Monthly Crime Statistics

August 2014

Part 1 Crimes	Reported	Open/ Pending	Suspended	Closed	Arrest
Homicide	0	0	0	0	0
Rape	0	0	0	0	0
Robbery	0	0	0	0	0
Assault	1	0	0	1	0
Residential Burglary	0	0	0	0	0
Larceny Theft	1	0	1	0	0
Vehicle Theft	0	0	0	0	0
Arson	0	0	0	0	0
Part 1 Totals	<u>2</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>

Other Crimes					
Auto Burglary	0	0	0	0	0
Identity Theft	2	1	1	0	0
Fraud	0	0	0	0	0
Forgeries	0	0	0	0	
Restraining Order Violations/ Stalking/ Criminal Threats	0	0	0	0	0
Sex Crimes (other)	1	0	1	0	0
Assault/ Battery (other)	0	0	0	0	0
Vandalism	3	0	3	0	0
Drugs	2	0	0	2	2
Warrant	1	0	0	1	1
Hit and Run Felony	0	0	0	0	0
Hit and Run Misdemeanor	1	0	0	1	0
Other Misdemeanor Traffic	1	0	0	1	1
Other Crime Totals	<u>11</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>

All Crime Totals	<u>13</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>4</u>
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Traffic Accidents (Non Injury)	4
Traffic Accidents (Injury)	0

KPD Crime Statistics

YTD 2014

Part 1 Crimes	Reported	Open/ Pending	Suspended	Closed	Arrest
Homicide	0	1*	0	0	0
Rape	1	0	0	1	1
Robbery	0	0	0	0	0
Assault	7	1	0	6	2
Residential Burglary	9	5	4	0	0
Larceny Theft	16	1	14	1	0
Vehicle Theft	3	3	0	0	0
Arson	1	0	1	0	0
Part 1 Totals	<u>37</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>3</u>

Other Crimes					
Auto Burglary	0	0	0	0	0
Identity Theft	19	9	10	0	0
Fraud	5	1	4	0	0
Forgeries	0	0	0	0	0
Restraining Order Violations/ Stalking/ Criminal Threats	1	0	0	1	1
Sex Crimes (other)	1	0	1	0	0
Assault/ Battery (other)	3	0	0	3	1
Vandalism	9	0	9	0	0
Drugs	6	0	0	6	6
Warrant	8	0	0	8	8
Hit and Run Felony	1	0	0	1	0
Hit and Run Misdemeanor	13	2	10	1	0
Other Misdemeanor Traffic	10	1	0	9	9
Other Crime Totals	<u>76</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>34</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>25</u>

All Crime Totals	<u>113</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>53</u>	<u>37</u>	<u>28</u>
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Traffic Accidents (Non Injury)	26
Traffic Accidents (Injury)	3

* 2011 case

•• **Chief Harman**

As mentioned above, Tuesday, August 5th was National Night Out and Officer Wilson did an outstanding job of coordinating this year's parties with Sergeant Barrow, Corporal Stegman, Officers Ramos, Turner, Wilkens, Armanino, Foley, and I assisting him in attending the 21 parties held this year. Everyone had a great time, I gained five pounds, and Officer Wilson gained...

Thank you to all of the party hosts and those who attended the various parties!

August 18th was the start of school, and with the start of school, we conduct extra traffic enforcement around the school during the first week to assist parents and students with pedestrian safety, parking rules, traffic flow, and yes, citations for violations of the vehicle code.

The last week of August brings us to the close of summer with the Labor Day weekend, and with it, the start of extra holiday driving under the influence enforcement. On August 22nd, Officer Turner participated in a DUI Checkpoint hosted by the Lafayette Police Department and whose participation will be reimbursed by a grant received from California Office of Traffic Safety.

Finally, last month in my comments, I mentioned how important it is to assist us in protecting you and your property by just locking your doors and windows.

Recently, we responded to a call of a burglary at a residence in which the suspect broke the sliding glass door window to gain entry. Then two hours later, we received a call of a burglary alarm at a residence which we responded to. On our arrival we spoke with the neighbors who informed us that they set off the alarm when they attempted to get their neighbors dog back into the house. Concerned that the dog had gotten out after possible entry by the suspect(s), we conducted a check of the residence and found that all exterior doors to the residence were unlocked.

The neighbors informed us that their neighbor had the security alarm installed after being the victim of a burglary last year. The good news was that there was no burglary and the alarm worked perfectly. The bad news was that even after being a victim of burglary a year ago, the homeowners still have not learned to lock their doors and windows.

Help us help you...