



KENSINGTON POLICE DEPARTMENT

MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT

July 2026

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The monthly report provides an overview of the Police Department's activities. It includes statistical data and police activity logs representing some of the enforcement efforts and public safety trends this month. The report highlights department initiatives, accomplishments, and community engagement efforts.

Patrol Operations

Kensington Police managed 1,334 incidents, an increase from 905 in June. 1075 were officer-initiated activity, an increase from 758 the previous period and 259 were dispatched calls for service. Officer-initiated activity included 92 traffic stops, 349 building/security checks, and 7 vehicle/pedestrian checks. Officers issued 72 citations and 54 warnings, an increase from 42 combined last month.

Officers responded to 259 dispatched calls for service, an increase from the 150 calls handled in the prior period. Additionally, the department authored 19 investigative reports, of which 9 were NIBRS crime reports, a decrease from the 23 reports filed in June.

No arrests were made, representing a decrease from 1 in June.

Patrol operations continued with reduced staffing, requiring personnel to prioritize calls for service and community policing responsibilities, resulting in fewer opportunities for discretionary enforcement.

Table 1. Patrol Data Comparison by Month

Patrol comparison data, charts, and maps were unavailable this month due to maintenance on the RMS and the integration of crime analytics systems.

Metric	June 2026	July 2026
Total Incidents	918	1334
Dispatched Calls for Service	150	259
Traffic Stops	35	92
Citations Issued	27	72
Investigative Reports	23	19
Misdemeanor Arrests	0	0
Felony Arrests	0	0
Avg. Response Time	5.1 min	4.9



Table 2. July 2026 NIBRS Offense Data

Offense	Description	NIBRS Code	# this Period
2800(A) VC	Fail to obey a peace officer: lawful order or inspection (M)	90Z	1
368(D)(1) PC	Elder Abuse – False Pretense (M)	26A	1
459 PC	Burglary - From motor vehicle (F)	23F	1
459 PC	Burglary: second degree - From motor vehicle (M)	23F	1
484(A) PC	Theft of personal property - From motor vehicle (M)	23F	1
487(A) PC	Grand theft: money/labor/property - From motor vehicle (F)	23F	1
487(A) PC	Grand theft: money/labor/property - Motor vehicle parts/accessories (F)	23G	2
594(A)(1) PC	Vandalism: deface property (M)	290	1
20002(a)(1) CVC	Vehicle Hit & Run – No Injury	NR	1
5150 WI	Unable to care for self or others	NR	3
DTKPD	KPD DEA Drug Takeback	NR	4
IMPOUND	IMPOUND	NR	1
OTHER	PROPERTY FOR DESTRUCTION	NR	1
TOTAL			19



Traffic Safety

One non-injury hit and run collision was reported. A reduction from two in June.

Patrol Activity Log:

Date	Time	Location	Offense Statute	Offense(s)	Severity	Arrest	Summary
7/01/2026	12:29 AM	XX Rincon Rd, Kensington, CA 94707	484(A) PC	Theft of Property	Felony	No	A grand theft was reported at XX Rincon Rd, Kensington, CA 94707. No arrest was made, but the investigation is still ongoing.
7/01/2026	07:08 PM	XXX Los Altos RD Kensington, Ca 94707	459 PC	Burglary - From Motor Vehicle (F)	Felony	No	A vehicle burglary was reported at XXX Los Altos Rd, Kensington, CA 94708. No suspects were located, and the case remains pending follow-up.
7/02/2026	03:15 PM	109XX San Pablo Av. El Cerrito, Ca 94530	DTKPD	KPD DEA Drug Takeback	Administrative	No	A scheduled drug take-back collection was conducted at 109XX San Pablo Ave, El Cerrito, CA 94530. Items were collected, booked into evidence, and the case was closed administratively.
7/06/2026	04:00 AM	XX Kingston Rd Kensington, CA 94707	487(A) PC	Grand Theft – Vehicle Parts (F)	Felony	No	A grand theft of vehicle parts was reported at XX Kingston Rd, Kensington, CA 94708. No suspects were located, and the case remains pending follow-up.
7/06/2026	11:00 AM	XXX Coventry Rd, Kensington, CA 94707	487(A) PC	Grand Theft – Vehicle Parts (F)	Felony	No	A grand theft of vehicle parts was reported at XXX Coventry Rd, Kensington, CA 94708. No suspects were located, and the case remains pending follow-up.
7/07/2026	10:23 AM	XX Coventry Rd, Kensington, CA 94707	IMPOUND	IMPOUND	Administrative	No	A vehicle was impounded for expired registration at XXX Coventry Rd, Kensington, CA 94708.
7/09/2026	11:30 AM	109XX San Pablo Av. El Cerrito, Ca 94530	DTKPD	KPD DEA Drug Takeback	Administrative	No	A scheduled drug take-back collection was conducted at 109XX San Pablo Ave, El Cerrito, CA 94530. Items were collected, booked into evidence, and the case was closed administratively.
7/09/2026	06:42 PM	XXX Coventry Rd, Kensington, CA 94708	368(D)(1) PC	Elder Abuse – False Pretenses (F)	Felony	No	An elder care concern was investigated at XXX Coventry Rd, Kensington, CA 94708, involving potential financial fraud. There was no financial loss; the case was closed as informational.
7/10/2026	07:45 AM	XXXX Ocean View Ave, Kensington, CA 94706	459(A) PC	Burglary - From Motor Vehicle (F)	Felony	No	A vehicle burglary was reported at XXX Ocean View Ave, Kensington, CA 94708. No suspects were located, and the case remains pending follow-up.
7/10/2026	08:05 AM	XX Stratford Rd, Kensington, CA 94708	459(A) PC	Burglary - From Motor Vehicle (M)	Misdemeanor	No	A vehicle burglary was reported at XXX Stratford Rd, Kensington, CA 94708. No suspects were located, and the case remains pending follow-up.
7/10/2026	03:30 PM	XXX Coventry Rd, Kensington, CA 94707	484(A) PC	Petty Theft – From Vehicle	Misdemeanor	No	A petty theft from a vehicle was reported at XXX Coventry Rd, Kensington, CA 94708. No suspects were located, and the case remains pending follow-up.



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7/12/2026	11:39 PM	XXX Kenyon Ave, Kensington, CA 94708	5150 W&I	Mental Health Evaluation	Administrative	No	A welfare check was conducted at XXX Kenyon Ave, Kensington, CA 94707, resulting in a mental health referral. No arrest was made, and the case was closed.
7/29/2026	07:3 AM	XX Ardmore Rd, Kensington, CA 94707	487(A) PC	Grand Theft – Vehicle Parts (F)	Felony	No	A grand theft of vehicle parts was reported at XX Ardmore Rd, Kensington, CA 94707. No suspects were located, and the case remains pending follow-up.
7/30/2026	11:30 AM	XXX Arlington Ave, Kensington, CA 94707	DTKPD	KPD DEA Drug Takeback	Administrative	No	The Kensington Police Department conducted the weekly prescription drug takeback at XXX Arlington Ave, Kensington, CA 94707, collecting and securing one pound 5.8 ounces of medication with no crime reported.
7/30/2026	02:25 PM	XXX Lawson Rd, Kensington, CA 94707	459 PC	Residential Burglary	Felony	No	Officers responded to XXX Lawson Rd, Kensington, CA 94707, for a report of a residential burglary. Three juvenile subjects were contacted and released by their parents.
7/31/2026	10:58 AM	XXX Kenyon Ave, Kensington, CA 94708	5150 W&I	Mental Health Evaluation	Administrative	No	A welfare check was conducted at XXX Kenyon Ave, Kensington, CA 94707, resulting in a mental health referral. No arrest was made, and the case was closed.
7/13/2026	03:50 PM	X Edgcroft Rd, Kensington, CA 94707	20002(a)(1) CVC	Duty where prop damaged: locate & notify owner	Misdemeanor	No	A report of property damage, with efforts to locate and notify the owner, was documented at X Edgcroft Rd, Kensington, CA 94707; the investigation is currently ongoing.
7/14/2026	05:31 PM	XX Arlington Ct, Kensington, CA 94707	MP Aided	Misc. Person Aided	Administrative	No	A citizen assistance detail was generated at XX Arlington Ct, Kensington, CA 94707. A citizen requested the disposal of property.
7/16/2026	06:02 PM	Wellesley Ave/Kenyon Ave, Kensington, CA 94707	487(A) PC	Grand Theft – Vehicle Parts (F)	Felony	No	A grand theft of vehicle parts was reported at Wellesley Ave/Kenyon Ave, Kensington, CA 94707. No suspects were located, and the case remains pending follow-up.
7/17/2026	04:50 AM	Arlington Ave/Ardmore Ave, Kensington, CA 94707	2800(A) PC	Failure to obey Peace Officer: Lawful Order or Inspection	Misdemeanor	No	Officers attempted to stop a vehicle for a non-moving vehicle code violation near Arlington Ave/Ardmore Ave, Kensington, CA 94707. The vehicle failed to yield and sped away from officers at a high rate of speed. Officers did not pursue and advised neighboring jurisdictions. Investigation in on-going.
7/17/2026	03:55 PM	XXX Plateau Dr, Kensington, CA 94707	594(A)(1) PC	Vandalism (M)	Misdemeanor	No	A vehicle vandalism was reported at XXX Plateau Dr, Kensington, CA 94707. The front passenger window was broken. No suspects were located, and the case remains pending follow-up.
7/23/2026	11:30 AM	XXX Arlington Av, Kensington, CA 94707	DTKPD	KPD DEA Drug Takeback	Administrative	No	The Kensington Police Department conducted the weekly prescription drug takeback at XXX Arlington Av, Kensington, CA 94707, collecting and securing 1.36 pounds of medication with no crime reported.
7/27/2026	16:38 PM	XXXXXX San Pablo Ave El Cerrito, CA 94530	5150 W&I	Mental Health Evaluation	Administrative	No	A welfare check was conducted at XXXXX San Pablo Ave, El Cerrito, CA 94530, resulting in a mental health referral. No arrest was made, and the case was closed.



Training: Readiness, Development & Compliance:

July training focused on maintaining operational readiness through a balanced combination of tactical instruction, investigative training, legal updates, and professional development. Training opportunities supported the Department's commitment to officer safety, effective service delivery, and continuous improvement by reinforcing core competencies while expanding specialized knowledge. Department personnel completed approximately 26 hours of cumulative training during the month.

2026 Taser Operators Course Recertification:

Department personnel successfully completed the 2026 Taser Operator Recertification Course, maintaining certification in the safe, effective, and lawful deployment of Conducted Energy Weapons. The course reinforced current case law, department policy, deployment considerations, medical protocols, and practical application through classroom instruction and hands-on proficiency exercises. Recertification ensures officers remain prepared to use less-lethal force options, enhancing officer safety and reducing the likelihood of serious injury during enforcement encounters.

Gun Violence Restraining Orders (GVRO) POST Self-Paced Training:

Personnel completed the POST-certified Gun Violence Restraining Orders training, reviewing California laws governing the issuance and enforcement of firearm restraining orders. The course emphasized legal requirements, investigative considerations, and collaboration with the courts to temporarily restrict firearm access for individuals who present a significant danger to themselves or others. This training enhances the Department's ability to proactively intervene in situations where violence may be preventable.

KPD Pre-Arrangement Release Protocol Training Bulletin:

Personnel reviewed the Department's Pre-Arrangement Release Protocol Training Bulletin, which standardized procedures for releasing arrested individuals under qualifying circumstances. The training reinforced documentation requirements, legal compliance, and consistency in decision-making while ensuring adherence to current departmental policy and applicable state law.

The 2026 Contra Costa Bail Schedule:

Personnel received instruction on the 2026 Contra Costa County Bail Schedule, including a review of current bail amounts, statutory updates, and booking considerations applicable to criminal offenses. The training promotes consistent application of countywide procedures and ensures officers remain informed of changes affecting arrest processing and judicial operations.

The Role of the Officer in Child Sexual Assault Investigations:

Personnel completed specialized training focused on the law enforcement response to child sexual assault investigations. The course emphasized trauma-informed interviewing principles, evidence preservation, multidisciplinary coordination, victim-centered investigative practices, and legal considerations unique to crimes involving children. This training strengthens the Department's ability to conduct thorough, compassionate, and legally sound investigations involving vulnerable victims.



Chief of Police

Volunteers in Police Services VIPS

Our Volunteers, Logan, Gill, and Haynes, contributed over 12 hours of service to the Police Department and the community. Their contributions included administrative support, fleet management, inspection of patrol fleet vehicles, and several special projects as assigned.

Reserve Officer Program

Our Reserve Officer, Michael Tranate, contributed over 36 hours of service to the Police Department and the community. His contributions included serving as a secondary officer on patrol, training, and projects as assigned.

Kensington Park'd

The District of Kensington hosted the popular Kensington Park'd event on July 11, 2026, bringing together residents for an evening of great food, live music, and community fellowship. The event provided an excellent opportunity for members of the Kensington Police Department to engage with residents in a relaxed and welcoming environment, answering questions, discussing neighborhood concerns, and strengthening positive relationships outside of traditional law enforcement interactions. Community events such as this continue to reinforce the department's commitment to accessibility and building trust through meaningful engagement.





Cookies with The Cops

A community engagement event was held on Wednesday, July 22nd, generously sponsored by Raxakoul Coffee and Cheese. The event drew a strong turnout from community members and created a welcoming atmosphere for connection and conversation. Our staff had the opportunity to engage with residents, exchange information, and answer questions.



Join us for our next community event, Police In The Park, on Wednesday, August 26, 2026, from 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. We invite you to come out and enjoy cookies, snacks, and refreshments. For more information about upcoming events, visit [KPPCSD.org](https://www.kppcsd.org), Instagram, or our Facebook page.



POLICE IN THE PARK



Gather your friends and meet us at the Kensington Community Park for an afternoon of relaxation, laughter, and connection. KPD will host snacks and refreshments, and we hope to see you there!



Wednesday August 26 from 1:30pm–3:30pm



59 Arlington Ave. Kensington, CA.