

June 2012 Police Department Report

July 9, 2012

- Department Personnel
 - We are currently staffed at 9 sworn positions and we currently have two reserve officers.
- Commendations and Correspondence
 - On June 12th, Officer Ramos received a letter from a citizen who had received a traffic citation from him, commenting that he was extremely courteous and spoke to her in a manner that put her at ease while issuing the citation.
- Investigation of Alleged Misconduct
 - Department Investigation 2011-004 was initiated on July 5, 2011 on allegations that an officer violated department reporting procedures. This investigation was completed by Sergeant Hull on June 28th and the Skelly notice has been issued.
 - Citizen's Investigation 2011-005 was initiated on October 5, 2011, on allegations that an officer was rude while signing off on a fix it ticket. This investigation is being conducted by Sergeant Hull.
 - Citizen's Investigation 2012-001 was initiated on January 8, 2012 on an allegation that an officer used racial profiling in issuing a traffic citation. This investigation is being conducted by Sergeant Hull.
 - Department Investigation 2012-002 was initiated on May 14th, on an allegation that an officer was insubordinate. This investigation is being conducted by Sergeant Hull.
 - Citizen's Investigation 2012-003 was initiated on June 28th, 2012, on an allegation that 3 officers were rude during a traffic stop. This investigation is being conducted by Sergeant Hui.
 - Citizen's Investigation 2012-004 was initiated on June 29th, 2012, on an allegation that an officer used racial profiling in making a traffic stop. This investigation is being conducted by Sergeant Hull.

- 9-1-1 / Richmond Communication Center Information.
- The Ring Time Report for May identified 62 total 911 calls for the month, with an average ring time of 7 seconds. There were two calls with ring times over 20 seconds.

The first was on May 6th, at 1:21 AM, with a ring time of 25 seconds. The call was on a loud party complaint.

The second occurred on May 17th, at 10:14 PM, with a ring time of 1:29 minutes. This was a misdial.

The Ring Time Report for June identified 37 total 911 calls, with an average ring time of 9 seconds. There were two calls with ring times over 20 seconds.

The first occurred on June 3rd, at 7:55 PM, with a ring time of 27 seconds. The caller wished to speak with an officer.

The second occurred on June 16th, at 9:50 PM, with a ring time of 1:46 minutes. The caller spoke to the dispatcher for 35 seconds but there was no police call for service generated.

- Community Networking
 - On 06-04-12, Chief Harman attended the KCC meeting.
 - On 06-06-12, Chief Harman attended the West Contra Costa County Police Chief's Association meeting in Hercules.
 - On 06-09-12, Chief Harman, Sergeant Barrow, Officer Turner, and Reserve Officer Armanino stopped in on the KCC Movie Night held at the Community Center.
 - On 06-16-12, Chief Harman along with KPPCSD Board President Chuck Toombs and Vice President Tony Lloyd attended the Annual Kensington Property Owners Association meeting.
- Community Criminal Activity
 - This section of the Watch Commander's Reports are prepared by Sergeant Hui for Team One, Sergeant Barrow for Team Two, and Detective Stegman.

- Watch Commander Reports

- **Sergeant Hui**

TEAM #1 STATISTICS

Sergeant Hui (K42)
(1600-0400)

Officer:	Ramos (K41) (0600-1800)	Wilson (K38) (1800-0600)
Days Worked	15	12
Traffic Stops	34	13
Moving Citations	26	10
Parking Citations	4	4
Vacation/Security Checks	72	55
FI-Field Interview	0	0
Cases	6	1
Arrests	0	0
Calls for Service	47	30

Officer Wilson recovered 12 hours of comp time.
Sergeant Hui attended a two week POST supervisor class in San Jose.

BRIEFING/TRAINING:

- Reviewed KPD Policy #326 – Elder Abuse
- Reviewed KPD Policy #421 – Arrest Procedures

SERGEANT'S REVIEW:

- Reviewed case law: Otto v. LA Unified School District
- Reviewed Community Caretaking doctrine
- Reviewed case law: City of LA v. Superior Court Labio

SERGEANT'S SUMMARY:

As we enter into the summer months, many families depart for vacation. If you have a vacation planned, here are a few tips to keep in mind:

1. Have a vacation mail hold placed on your residence while you are away. This helps keep mail from piling up in your mailbox, which is something a potential burglar looks for.

2. If you have newspapers delivered to your house, either have a friend or neighbor pick them up, or place a hold on your newspaper delivery during your vacation. Piles of newspapers in the driveway are a dead giveaway that you are out of town.
3. Consider placing one or two of your lights on a timer. This gives the appearance that you are home.
4. Consider signing up for the KPD vacation watch program. The vacation watch program is simply a way for residents to let us know that you are planning to be out of town. We will place your address on our watch list and perform security checks on your residence as circumstances permit. Please keep in mind that participating in the vacation watch program does not guarantee the safety of your residence, but it does allow our officers to be more proactive in deterring potential crimes. The vacation watch form is available in our office or online at the following address:

www.kensingtoncalifornia.org/vacation.php

5. Let your neighbors know that you are going away. If you know your neighbors and feel comfortable letting them know that you are going out of town, your neighbors can also be an excellent resource.

If you have any questions about our vacation watch program or any of the tips suggested in this report, please give us a call at 526-4141 and we will be happy to answer any questions you may have.

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- 2012-3706 – On 6/04/2012, Officer Ramos responded to the unit blk of Westminster Ave on a report of a vandalism.
- 2012-3725 – On 6/05/2012, Officer Ramos responded to the unit blk of Franciscan Way on the report of an attempted burglary.
- 2012-3869 – On 6/10/2012, Officer Ramos responded to the 100 blk of Kenyon Ave on a report of a missing person.
- 2012-3870 – On 6/10/2012, Officer Ramos responded to the 100 blk of Arlington Ave on a recovery of a stolen vehicle.
- 2012-4248 – On 6/24/2012, Officer Wilson responded to the 600 blk of Canon Dr on a report of a residential burglary.
- 2012-4277 – On 6/26/2012, Officer Ramos responded to the 100 blk of Ardmore Dr on a report of a theft.
- 2012-4291 – On 6/26/2012, Officer Ramos responded to the unit blk of Franciscan Way on a report of tampering with a vehicle.
- 2012-4292 – On 6/26/2012, Officer Ramos responded to the unit blk of Marchant Ct on a report of a theft.

Reserve Officer:	Armanino (K47)
Days Worked	2
Traffic Stops	17
Moving Citations	10
Parking Citations	4
Vacation/Security Checks	11
FI-Field Interview	0
Cases	0
Arrests	0
Calls for Service	25

•• **Sergeant Barrow**

TEAM #2 STATISTICS

Officer:	Martinez (K31) (0600-1800)	Turner (K46) (1800-0600)
Days Worked	14	16
Traffic Stops	41	57
Moving Citations	27	20
Parking Citations	15	7
Vacation/Security Checks	68	117
FI-Field Interview	3	3
Cases	4	2
Arrests	0	1
Calls for Service	80	73

BRIEFING/TRAINING:

Sergeant Barrow attended a two week POST Supervisory class.

- o Reviewed KPD Policy #450 – Use of audio recorders
- o Reviewed KPD Policy #452 – Medical Marijuana

SERGEANTS REVIEW

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SERGEANT'S SUMMARY:

Due to the nice weather there is an increase in bicycle and pedestrian traffic in Kensington, at all hours of the day and night. I would urge bicyclist, motorist, and pedestrians to watch out for each other and slow down. Take your time and

act responsibly, obeying all laws and being aware of your surroundings. I would like to remind bicyclists that you are subject to the same rules of the road as motor vehicles. We have contacted numerous bicyclists at night without the proper lighting and also those proceeding through traffic controlled intersections in violation of the California Vehicle Code. Just because you don't see a vehicle, bicyclist, and or a pedestrian, does not mean they are not there. I would encourage bicyclists and motor vehicle operators to slow down and follow the California Vehicle Code or you are subject to citation.

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- 2012-3640 – On 6-01-2012, Officer Turner took a reported nonjury vehicle accident in the unit block of Arlington Avenue. One of the involved parties did not believe the accident warranted being reported as the damage was minor and that at some point new vehicles become damaged.
- 2012-3673 – On 6-02-2012, Officer Turner conducted a traffic stop of a vehicle in the 400 block of Sea View drive. He contacted the female driver and after a records check was conducted she had a warrant out of Oakland for \$2,500.00. She was arrested and booked for the outstanding warrant.
- 2012-3741 – On 6-06-2012, Officer Martinez responded to the unit block of Beverly Road and recovered a stolen vehicle out of Berkeley.
- 2012-3753 – On 6-09-2012, Sergeant Barrow responded to the 200 block of Lexington Avenue for a reported theft from an unlocked vehicle. Approximately \$20.00 in US currency was taken.
- 2012-3820 – On 6-09-2012, Officer Turner and Sergeant Barrow responded to El Cerrito High School to aid ECPD Officers with a disturbance at a school event. One subject was arrested and we assisted with transport of involved parties.
- 2012-3832 – On 6-09-2012, Officer Martinez responded to the unit block of Edwin Drive for a reported identity theft. The victim was away on vacation and noticed charges on their account that they had not made. This case is under investigation.
- 2012-3973 – On 6-14-2012, Officer Turner took a reported nonjury vehicle accident in the 700 block of Wellesley Avenue. The vehicle, "taxi" had left the roadway and became stranded upon a cement median. The taxi had minor damage and no other vehicles were involved.
- 2012-4202 – On 6-22-2012, Officer Turner took a reported hit and run vehicle accident from the 100 block of Highland Blvd. The victim reported driving the vehicle between 6-17-12 through 6-21-12 and not noticing the new damage to the vehicle as it had been involved in another accident prior to them owning it.
- 2012-4206 – On 6-22-2012, Officer Turner was on patrol of the unit block of Arlington Avenue. He noticed a suspicious vehicle and upon a records check it was stolen out of San Francisco

TRAFFIC STATISTICS:

34 moving citations were issued on Colusa Ave.
40 moving citations were issued on Arlington Ave.
8 moving citations were issued on Grizzly Peak Blvd.
5 moving citations were issued on Franciscan Way.
4 moving citation was issued on Rincon Road.
5 citations were issued on Amherst Ave.
1 citation was issued on Westminster Ave.

•• **Detective Eric Stegman**

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

12-3673 Burglary (Attempt)

On 6/5/12, An El Cerrito resident who was previously robbed at gunpoint in El Cerrito approximately a week prior, called KPD to report he saw the suspects parked in a car on Franciscan Way. KPD officers responded but according to the victim the suspects fled when they recognized him. Further investigation revealed the subjects were attempting to burglarize a residence on Franciscan Way by smashing a glass pane on a residence's back door. Several possible suspects were developed by both KPD and ECPD but the El Cerrito resident has failed to positively identify any of them as the suspects who robbed him. This case is under investigation.

12-3834

On 6/9/12 a vehicle which was parked on the street was stolen from the 100 block of St. Albans Rd. It was recovered the next day on Sunset Dr. There are no investigative leads in this case.

12-4248

On 6/24/12 a residential burglary was reported on the 600 block of Canon Dr. The residents were out of town but the house was being watched by a house sitter. This case is under investigation.

KPD INVESTIGATIONS INFORMATION:

2011-1618 Homicide.

On 03-12-11, KPD Officers were dispatched to a possible dead body in the 00 block of Arlington Avenue. The individual was pronounced dead at the scene. This case is being investigated as a homicide.

12-3466 On 5/25/12 a residential burglary was reported on Los Altos. The method of entry was a pried/ forced front door. The loss was primarily jewelry.

This case is under investigation.

KPD INVESTIGATIONS

- Made court run for filling cases, and retrieve court notifications.
- Updated the KPD Case Review Log
- Updated stolen property log.
- I'm currently assigned one day per week as a Field Training Officer
- I attended a cell phone forensics class put on by CA DOJ.

KPD Crime Statistics

As a part of my duties I am tasked with presenting monthly and Year to Date (YTD) crime statistics for Kensington. This includes case closure rates and arrest statistics. As you have no doubt noticed when I took over the Detective position I created a new format for reporting statistics in our monthly report. This was to increase efficiency and accuracy in the numbers I present in my reports. There were some initial errors in my excel formulas which were caught and fixed. As of this report I believe I have eliminated all flaws in the spreadsheet's tabulation formulas.

My goal by the end of the calendar year is to present a completely accurate picture of Kensington's crime statistics so that moving forward it will give us a clearly established base line in which to compare subsequent years of statistics. It will also give us a point of reference to compare our in house statistics with that of the State and Federal Department of Justice. This will allow us to identify and eliminate the reasons for discrepancies between their Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) numbers and our own.

This is an ongoing process of re-evaluation and adjustment as we try to perfect our in house review system, become more proficient on the intricacies of our Aegis record keeping system, and mirror UCR Part 1 criteria. Both the Aegis reporting system and the UCR system are complex. We are working with individuals at other local agencies that are helping to train and educate us, as many have experienced similar struggles as KPD with the Aegis program.

This month, as I previously determined will be periodically necessary, I conducted an audit of my in house crime statistics for the months of January through May. The purpose was to update case status statistics (pending/ suspended/ closed), and re-evaluate the definition of the crime categories I have been using. Once I feel the crime categories no longer need adjustment I plan to audit the case status statistics quarterly.

What this all means is in the coming months, you will notice a few new crime categories, and a few removed, or combined with another category. Also each time I do a status audit you will also notice many open/ pending cases will be closed or suspended as we make arrests or exhaust investigative leads.

I will take care to note when these audits or changes take place so everyone stays informed. I hope this explanation clears up any past confusion regarding my crime statistics and identifies what can be expected for the future.

KPD Monthly Crime Statistics

June 2012

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
Felonious Assault	0	0	0	0	0
Residential Burglary	3	2	1	0	0
Grand Theft	0	0	0	0	0
Vehicle Theft	3	1	0	2	0
Part 1 Totals	<u>6</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>0</u>
Other Crimes					
Auto Burglary	0	0	0	0	0
Identity Theft	1	1	0	0	0
Fraud	0	0	0	0	0
Forgeries	0	0	0	0	0
Petty theft	4	0	4	0	0
Restraining Order Violations/ Stalking/ Criminal Threats	0	0	0	0	0
Sex Crimes (other)	0	0	0	0	0
Assault/ Battery (other)	0	0	0	0	0
Vandalism	2	0	2	0	0
Drugs	0	0	0	0	0
Warrant	1	0	0	1	1
Hit and Run Felony	0	0	0	0	0
Hit and Run Misdemeanor	0	0	0	0	0
Other Misdemeanor Traffic	0	0	0	0	0
Other Crime Totals	<u>8</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>

All Crime Totals	<u>14</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>1</u>
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Traffic Accidents (Non Injury)	3
Traffic Accidents (Injury)	0

KPD Crime Statistics

Year to Date 2012

Part 1 Crimes	Reported	Open/ Pending	Suspended	Closed	Arrest
Homicide	0	1	0	0	0
Rape	0	0	0	0	0
Robbery	3	0	2	1	0
Felonious Assault	1	0	0	1	0
Residential Burglary	15	8	6	1	3
Grand Theft	0	0	0	0	0
Vehicle Theft	5	1	1	3	0
Part 1 Totals	<u>24</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>3</u>

Other Crimes					
Auto Burglary	0	0	0	0	0
Identity Theft	13	9	3	1	0
Fraud	1	1	0	0	0
Forgeries	0	0	0	0	0
Petty theft	20	6	11	3	0
Restraining Order Violations/ Stalking/ Criminal Threats	2	0	0	2	1
Sex Crimes (other)	0	0	0	0	0
Assault/ Battery (other)	2	0	0	2	1
Vandalism	9	2	6	1	0
Drugs	1	0	0	1	3
Warrant	7	0	0	7	7
Hit and Run Felony	0	0	0	0	0
Hit and Run Misdemeanor	3	1	1	1	0
Other Misdemeanor Traffic	3	0	1	2	1
Other Crime Totals	<u>61</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>13</u>

All Crime Totals	<u>85</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>31</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>16</u>
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Traffic Accidents (Non Injury)	7
Traffic Accidents (Injury)	2

•• **Chief Harman**

As reported above in Detective Stegman's report, we are continuing to refine and fine tune the way in which we report our crime statistics in order to provide the community and other law enforcement agencies we report to the most accurate and up to date crime information.

However, I have already broken my first rule that I made to myself in preparing this report. Upon review of Detective Stegman's submitted report, I noticed that he had reported in his Year To Date report that we had one reported homicide. The only homicide we have had in the past 28 years now is the one that occurred in March of 2010. That case is still unsolved and is carried in Detective Stegman's report as an Open/ Pending case. It is not a reported homicide this year to date.

My rule to myself was NOT to make the corrections in Detective Stegman's reports. I was to advise him of the errors I found and have him make the necessary corrections. Well, I noticed the homicide error and I did not have the time to allow Detective Stegman make the correction, so I broke my own rule.

Additionally, I also notice in his Year to Date that he has indicated that we have had three robberies so far this year. I believe the correct total is two, the robbery of a cell phone in February of this year and a purse snatch in April.

Why do I mention this in my portion of the Monthly Report? Because I am trying to convey that the crime statistic reporting is a work in progress. We will strive to continue to audit, revise, formulate, and present the most accurate and up to date crime statistics.

All I ask that you don't mind our dust...