MONTHLY REPORT MARCH 2023 KENSINGTON POLICE DEPARTMENT



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March 2023 Monthly Report

Happenings

The Kensington Police Department's two newest Volunteers in Policing (VIP), Mike Logan and Luke Stokes, assisted Sgt. Lande and Lt. Harms with making the 2023 Colusa Circle 5K Run a safe event. Both VIPs assisted with traffic control to help make the event safe. There were 157 registered runners who participated, and Zip Code East Bay matched every dollar raised totaling \$7,500 to support KIDS for the BAY'S environmental educational programs for underresourced elementary schools in the East Bay.



Organization

- 1. Chief of Police
- 2. Lieutenant
- 3. Sergeant

9. Officer

10. Support Staff

11. Volunteer

12. Volunteer

- 4. Sergeant
- 5. Officer
- 6. Officer M. Farley
- 7. Officer D. Payne
- 8. Officer M. Smith
 - Vacant
 - J. Haynes
 - L. Stokes
 - M. Logan
- 13. Volunteer E. Woo

March 2023

| Fleet | .One Car out of service |
|-----------------|-------------------------|
| CIBRS/NIBRS | Compliant |
| RIPA | Compliant |
| Training | 248 hrs. |
| Volunteer Hours | 4.5 hrs. |
| CCW Program | Up to Date |

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| On duty Injuries | Zero |
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| On duty collisions | .Zero |
| Complaints | .Zero |
| Compliments | .One |
| COVID Exposure | Zero |

PATROL OPERATIONS

| INCIDENT SUMMARY | | |
|--------------------------|-------|--|
| DESCRIPTION | COUNT | |
| Incidents Captured | 888 | |
| Public Calls for Service | 200 | |
| Officer Initiated Events | 688 | |
| Traffic Stops | 45 | |
| Citations Issued | 32 | |
| Arrests | 2 | |
| Reports taken | 22 | |

| PART 1 CRIMES | | |
|-------------------|-------|--|
| DESCRIPTION | COUNT | |
| Assault | 0 | |
| Murder | 0 | |
| Sex Offenses | 0 | |
| Robbery/Extorsion | 0 | |
| Burglary | 3 | |
| Theft | 4 | |
| Arson | 0 | |

| INCIDENTS BY TYPE | | |
|-------------------|---|-------|
| INCIDENT TYPE | DESCRIPTION | COUNT |
| 10-33 | Alarm | 16 |
| 11-24 | Abandoned Vehicle | 4 |
| 11-81 | Vehicle Accident - Injury | 1 |
| 11-82 | Vehicle Accident - No Injury | 3 |
| 11-83 | Vehicle Accident - No Details | 1 |
| 415 PC | 415 PC - Disturbance of Peace | 1 |
| 459 PC | Burglary | 4 |
| 487 PC | Grand Theft | 1 |
| 488 PC | Petty Theft | 4 |
| 530.5 PC | Identity Theft | 1 |
| 594 PC | Vandalism | 4 |
| 602L PC | Enter & Occupy Property W/out Consent of Owner | 1 |
| 911CALL | 911 Call | 21 |

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| AREACHK | Area Security Check | 230 |
|----------|-------------------------------------|---------------------|
| BEATINFO | Beat Info | 5 |
| СОР | Community Oriented Policing | 19 |
| EXTPATRL | Request for Extra Patrol | 263 |
| FDLCKOUT | Lockout | 1 |
| FLAG | Flag down of Officer | 2 |
| FOLLOWUP | Case/Incident Follow-Up Activity | 19 |
| FOOTPTRL | Foot Patrol | 3 |
| HAZARD | Hazard | 31 |
| INFO | INFORMATION | 9 |
| MPAIDED | Citizen Assist | 52 |
| MPAUTO | Mis Pub Auto | 6 |
| MPCIVIL | Misc. Civil Matter | 1 |
| MPJUV | Juvenile Problem | 1 |
| OUTASST | Assistance to an Outside Agency | 10 |
| PARKER | Parking Citation | 12 |
| RIDER | Ride Along | 2 |
| ROADCLS | Road Closure | 14 |
| SECURITY | Security or Business Check | 25 |
| SUSCIRC | Suspicious Circumstance | 13 |
| SUSVEH | Suspicious Vehicle | 8 |
| TRFHAZ | Traffic Hazard | 7 |
| TRIP | Check Vehicle Registration & Status | 21 |
| VACWATCH | Vacant Home Watch | 19 |
| VEHSTOP | Vehicle Stop | 45 |
| WELFARE | Welfare Check | 8 |
| | | Total Incidents 888 |

March Patrol Log

- On Friday, March 3rd, Officers took a report of a catalytic converter theft from the 100 block of Avon Road.
- On Sunday, March 5th, Officers took a vandalism report at the Hilltop Elementary School. The top of the roof was tagged in orange spray paint graffiti, with the words "E10" and "HAHA." The case is being investigated.
- On Thursday, March 9th, Officers responded to an identity theft report in the 100 block of Arlington Court.
- On Monday, March 13th, at 4:55 pm, Officers responded to a vehicle collision in front of Youngs Market on Arlington Avenue.
- On Tuesday, March 14th, at 8:53 pm, Officers impounded a vehicle near Beverly Road.
- On Thursday, March 16th, Officers responded to a burglary report in the 100 block of Purdue Avenue. Approximately \$910.00 of construction equipment was stolen during the evening.
- On Thursday, March 17th, at 2:25 pm, Officers responded to a vandalism report at the cemetery. An unknown suspect damaged some flowerpots.
- On Tuesday, March 21st, at 3:20 am, Officers attempted to stop a reckless driver who fled at a high rate of speed. Officers did not pursue the suspect.
- On Friday, March 24th, at 5:20 pm, Officers responded to a residential burglary in the 100 block of Lawson Road, where they detained four juveniles fleeing the scene. The homeowner, who was not at the location, refused prosecution. The juveniles were turned over to their parents.
- On Tuesday, March 29th, at 5:48 pm, Officers responded to a residential burglary in the 100 block of Arlamont Drive. The investigation showed the rear sliding glass door was smashed, and \$1,200 worth of jewelry was stolen. The investigation is ongoing.
- On Thursday, March 30th, at 11:47 am, Officers attempted a traffic enforcement stop on a white Toyota van; however, the vehicle failed to yield, and the brief pursuit was terminated without incident.
- On Friday, March 31st, at 1:20 pm, Officers were dispatched to a shoplifting call in the 300 block of Arlington Avenue. An unknown person wearing a mask and hoodie entered the store and took three cartons of Marlboro cigarettes valued at \$348.55. The suspect fled the store. Area checks for the suspect were fruitless.

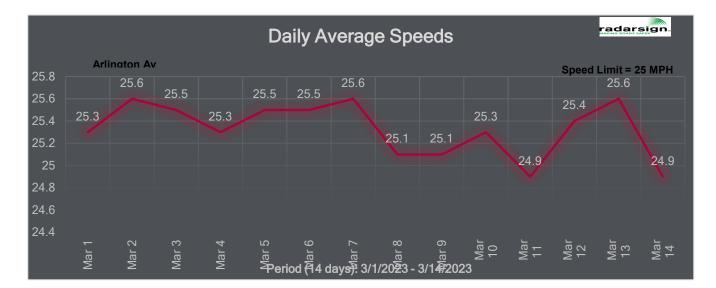
Traffic Safety

During March, traffic collisions were down 50%, from 4 to 2 and there was one online supplemental traffic safety report resulting in a citation being issued.

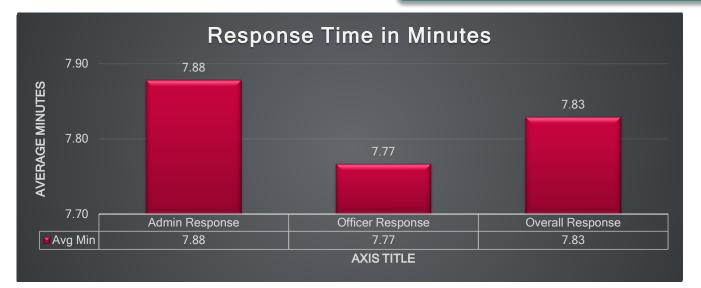
Officers coordinated road closures with utility companies resulting from storm damage. All closures were initiated by utility companies, and they include PG&E, Contra Costa County Public Works, and EBMUD.

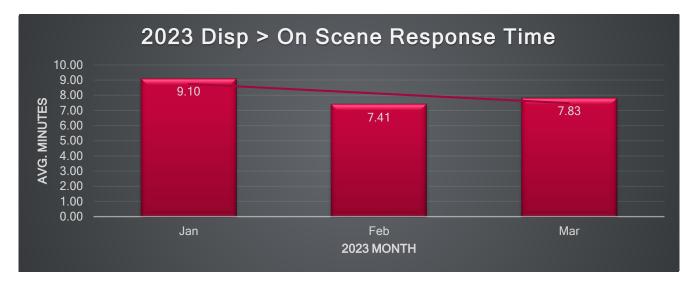
Officers regularly monitor speeding on Arlington Av and observed average speeds remained consistent with February (24.35MPH). The average vehicle speed on Arlington Ave is consistent with the 25 MPH posted speed, showing a two-week average speed of 25.33. There is a minor fluctuation between average and peak speeds with most speed violations occurring between 1130 hours and 1430 hours. There are no obvious speeding trends associated with days of the week.

During the two-week review period 26,577 cars passed the radar sign, and 43 of those vehicles exceeded the speed limit by 15mph or more (down from 35 in February). For every 1000 cars passing the radar sign on Arlington Ave, 1.76 vehicles will exceed the speed limit by 15mph. The 85th percentile speed averaged 31.86 MPH. That means that 85% of all vehicles passing the radar had a speed no more than 6.86 mph above the speed limit. Of all the vehicles passing the radar, 5.7% of all vehicles exceeded the speed limit by 5 mph (a decrease from February 2023) and 0.003% exceeded the limit by 10 mph or more.



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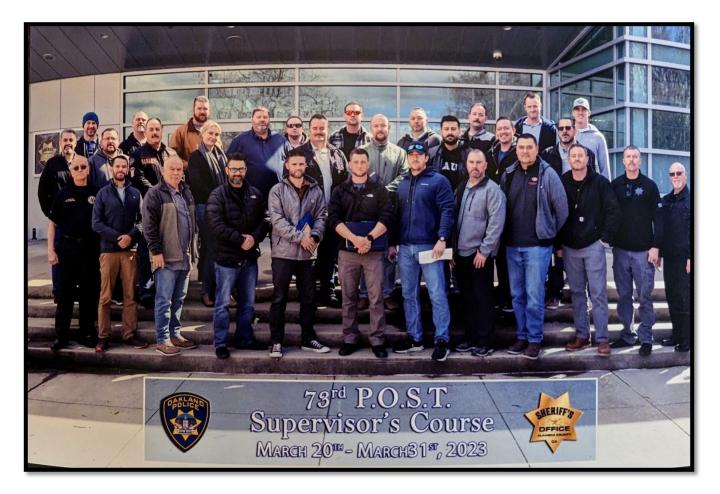
Response time for officers was not significantly changed from Febuary to March.

Staffing

On March 13th, we welcomed newly hired police officer Marrkel Smith. Officer Smith was employed as a Legal Assistant with the Alameda County District Attorney's Office before becoming a Police Officer with the City of Fremont in 2009. Officer Smith is a lateral officer in the truest sense, having more than 15 years of law enforcement experience. We are lucky and excited to have him with us.

Training

This month, between March 20 - 31, Sgt. Brian Lande attended and completed a two-week POST mandated Supervisor's Course graduating with the 73rd Academy co-sponsored by the Alameda County Sheriff's Department and the Oakland Police Department. The course is required by the State for Police Sergeants to earn their Supervisor Certificate.



Chief Gancasz attended the California Police Chiefs Conference in Monterey March 12-15. Lieutenant Harms and Sergeant Nath supervised the department as Acting Chiefs during the Chiefs absence. Officer David Payne attended forty hours of POST mandated perishable skills training in Stanislaus County.

MARCH STORM CAUSES FLOODING AND MULTIPLE ROAD CLSOURES.

During the night of March 21st and into the early morning hours of March 22nd, Kensington Police responded to many calls from residents reporting fallen trees, power outages, flooding, and medical emergencies. Several trees fell and blocked streets throughout the district including:

| Colusa Ave | Sunset Drive | Ardmore |
|------------|---------------|---------|
| Coventry | Arlington Ave | |



Coventry Road was temporarily closed due to a fallen tree.



Sunset Drive was temporarily closed due to a fallen tree.