

March 2012 Police Department Report

April 6, 2012

- Department Personnel
 - We are currently staffed at 9 sworn positions and 3 reserve officers.
- Commendations and Correspondence
 - On March 4th, Officer Wilson received an e-mail from an Albany resident that received a speeding ticket from an unnamed officer. The issuing officer turned out to be Officer Rodney Martinez. The e-mail is attached to this report with the writer's personnel information deleted.
 - At the March 8th, KPPCSD meeting, Director Mari Metcalf had requested an e-mail received by the District's Directors from a citizen concerned about police officers racing down the street to pull over traffic violators be published in this month's packet. The e-mail is attached to this report with the writer's personnel information deleted.
- 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 is being conducted by Sergeant Hull.
 - 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.
- 9-1-1 / Richmond Communication Center Information.
 - The Ring Time Report for February documented 56 total 911 calls received by dispatch with 2 having a ring time of over 20 seconds. The first occurred on 02-14-12, at 9:27 AM, with a ring time of 26 seconds. The

call appears to be a mis-dial with the dispatcher speaking to the caller for 2 seconds.

The second occurred on 02-15-12, at 3:15 PM, with a ring time of 40 seconds. This was a call of an unwanted subject at the door of a residence.

The average ring time for the month of February was 6 seconds.

- Community Networking
 - On 03-07-12, Chief Harman attended the West County Police Chief's meeting in Hercules.
 - On 03-12-12, Officer Doug attended the Kensington Public Safety Council meeting.
 - On 03-15-12, Officer Doug Wilson and KPSC Chair Peter Liddell met with the Kensington Court Neighborhood Group to discuss crime prevention, CERT, and Map Your Neighborhood.
 - On 03-24-12, Chief Harman and Yolla Harman attended the Contra Costa Sheriff David Livingston's Charity Ball held at the Blackhawk Auto Museum. This event was attended at no cost to the District.
 - On 03-26-12, Chief Harman attended the KIC 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, Detective Barrow (February's Report), and Detective Stegman.
- Watch Commander Reports
 - **Sergeant Hui**

TEAM #1 STATISTICS

A.S. Hui (K42)
(1600-0400)

Officer:	Ramos (K41) (0600-1800)	Wilson (K38) (1800-0600)
Days Worked	15	17
Traffic Stops	45	14

Moving Citations	34	13
Parking Citations	3	10
Vacation/Security Checks	34	93
FI-Field Interview	0	0
Cases	2	0
Self Initiated Cases	0	0
Arrests	0	0
Calls for Service	28	30

Officer Wilson recovered 6 hours of comp time.
Acting Sergeant Hui recovered 24 hours of comp time.

BRIEFING/TRAINING:

- Reviewed KPD Policy #314 – Vehicle Pursuit Policy
- Reviewed KPD Policy #316 – Officer Response to Calls
- Discussed upcoming National Distracted Driving Awareness Month in April
- Reviewed SDRMA subject matter on workplace safety

SERGEANT’S SUMMARY:

I would like to take the opportunity to thank all of the residents that attended the March 8th, 2012 board meeting. For those of you that did not attend, Corporal Barrow and I were promoted to the rank of Sergeant, and Sergeant Hull was promoted to the rank of Master Sergeant. As Sergeant Hull, Corporal Barrow, and I were called up by Chief Harman, we were met with a standing ovation from the majority of attendees. I would like to thank everyone that was there in support of the Kensington Police Department. It was a heartfelt reminder of the wonderful people we serve and protect every day. I would also like to recognize the hard work and dedication put forth by both Sergeant Barrow and Master Sergeant Hull that earned them their promotions.

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- 2012-1584 – On 3/3/2012, Sergeant Hui responded to the 1500 blk of Valley Dr on a report of a petty theft.
- 2012-1625 – On 3/4/2012, Master Sergeant Hull responded to the 200 blk of Yale Ave on a report of a petty theft.
- 2012-1674 – On 3/6/2012, Officer Stegman arrested a subject on the 300 blk of Oceanview Ave for trespassing.
- 2012-2102 – On 3/26/2012, Officer Ramos met with a resident at KPD on a report of a petty theft.
- 2012-2103 – On 3/26/2012, Officer Ramos responded to the unit blk of Lam Ct on a report of an identity theft.

Reserve Officer:	Colon (K44)	Armanino (K47)
Days Worked	0	6
Traffic Stops	0	15
Moving Citations	0	7
Parking Citations	0	2
Vacation/Security	0	29
Checks		
FI-Field Interview	0	0
Cases	0	0
Self Initiated Cases	0	0
Arrests	0	0
Calls for Service	0	18

•• **Sergeant Barrow**

TEAM #2 STATISTICS

Officer:	Martinez (K31) (0600-1800)	Turner (K46) (1800-0600)
Days Worked	14	13
Traffic Stops	36	55
Moving Citations	24	20
Parking Citations	9	13
Vacation/Security	50	95
Checks		
FI-Field Interview	0	1
Cases	2	2
Self Initiated Cases	0	0
Arrests	0	1
Calls for Service		

BRIEFING/TRAINING:

- Reviewed Death investigations
- Reviewed Law Enforcement Authority
- Reviewed Report Preparation
- Reviewed Child Passenger Restraints
- Reviewed Vehicle Pursuits
- Reviewed Officer Response to Calls

SERGEANT'S SUMMARY:

KPD is participating in the National Distracted Driving Awareness Month which is scheduled for April 2012. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration identified texting and cellular telephone use as the fastest growing and most visible distraction as an associated factor in collisions. The Office of Traffic

Safety (OTS) and law enforcement agencies statewide are partnering in an enforcement campaign. The OTS and CHP has launched a statewide, 'It's Not Worth It,' media blitz on March 29, 2012. Law enforcement agencies statewide have been asked to have a, "zero tolerance" enforcement of distracted driving violations. **No cell phone calls or text messages are worth a citation or even someone's life. Please put down your cell phones until you arrive at your destination. If you must use a cell phone, pull over out of traffic, or use a hands free device.**

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- 2012-1582 – On 3-3-2012, Officer Turner responded to the 200 block of Trinity Avenue for reported annoying phone calls.
- 2012-1823 – On 3-13-2012, Officer Turner responded to the 200 block of Yale Avenue for a reported out of control Juvenile.
- 2012-1894 – On 3-17-2012, Officer Martinez responded to the unit block of Lenox Drive for a reported vandalism, scratches on a resident's vehicle.
- 2012-2042 – On 3-24-2012, Officer Turner responded to the 2600 block of Tamalpais Avenue in El Cerrito for a reported welfare check. El Cerrito Police had responded to an injury DUI crash on San Pablo Avenue and asked for assistance with a welfare check. The resident was scared and wanted the exterior of her home checked for suspicious persons in the area.
- 2012-2148 – On 3-28-2012, Officer Martinez responded to the 300 block of Rugby Avenue for a reported residential burglary/home invasion. The suspect made entry through a pried rear window. Took several items and left the residence without being detected by the resident.
- 2012-2153 – On 3-28-2012, Officer Turner and I responded to the 200 block of Arlington Avenue for a reported disturbance. We arrived and contacted two subjects on court ordered probation for gun and drug charges. A search of the subjects and their vehicle was performed with negative results. The subjects left the area without incident.

TRAFFIC STATISTICS:

26 moving citations were issued on Colusa Ave.
20 moving citations were issued on Arlington Ave.
20 moving citations were issued on Grizzly Peak Blvd.
18 moving citation were issued on Franciscan Way.
1 moving citation was issued on Yale Ave.
1 citation was issued on Fairmont Dr.
1 citation was issued on Westminster Ave.
1 citation was issued on Rugby Ave.

•• **Detective Keith Barrow (February Report)**

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

2012-1101 Car Jacking

On Tuesday, February 14, 2012, El Cerrito Police Officers responded to a home invasion robbery and vehicle theft. The suspect was observed driving on Highgate Road by KPD Officer Turner at a high rate of speed. The suspect exited his vehicle after it became disabled and ran to 00 block of Sunset Drive where a resident had just entered their vehicle. The suspect pointed a handgun at the resident and took charge of the vehicle fleeing back into El Cerrito. The suspect then stole a Richmond Police vehicle where shots were fired and attempted to evade police. The suspect was apprehended after a long vehicle pursuit. The suspect committed several other burglaries and car jackings in Martinez, Vacaville and Richmond. **Charges have been filed with the Contra Costa County District Attorneys' Office.**

2012-1081 Strong Arm Robbery

On Monday, February 13, 2012, a KPD Officer Chris Turner responded to a reported street robbery. The officer arrived and contacted the victim who had several items taken by a male and female who were driving a stolen vehicle. Officer Turner obtained video footage of the suspects using the victim's credit card in the City of Berkeley. A BOLO was sent out and on 02/28/12 the suspects were identified by Contra Costa County Sheriffs Deputy's after committing an armed robbery at a gas station in Pacheco. After a long pursuit three suspects were taken into custody. These suspects have been identified in numerous other armed robberies throughout the bay area and surrounding counties. Due to the sheer magnitude of this case several agencies worked together and served three warrants during the night of 02/29/12, the agencies involved were CCCSO Deputies, Detectives from El Cerrito, Albany, Richmond and Kensington. This case is on going and it's believed that many more victims and suspect(s) will be identified in the weeks to come.

2012-229 Recovered Stolen Vehicle/Outside Assist

On Tuesday, January 10, 2012, an El Cerrito Police Officer ran a vehicle license plate of a black Nissan Sentra driven by a female on Arlington Avenue in El Cerrito. The officer then lost sight of the vehicle. RPD Dispatch advised the officer it was a stolen vehicle. Kensington Reserve Police Officer Chris Armanino located the vehicle unoccupied in the 00 block of Highland Blvd. Armanino and I conducted surveillance on the vehicle until the female returned and started to enter the vehicle. We contacted the female and took her into custody. El Cerrito Police Officers arrived and took charge of the vehicle and the suspect. **Kensington Reserve Police Officer Armanino did an outstanding job on this case.**

2012-327 Residential Burglary / Three Suspects Arrested

On Saturday, January 14, 2012, Acting Sergeant Hui responded to three suspicious males in and around a residence within the 100 block of Purdue Avenue. Upon arrival he determined a residential burglary had occurred. Hui coordinated a search of the area for the suspects with the aid of officers from El Cerrito PD and they quickly apprehended the suspects. **All three suspects have been charged with residential burglary and have been held to answer by the Contra Costa County District Attorneys' Office. Good job Hui.**

2012-578 Residential Burglary

On Monday, January 23, 2012, Officers responded to a residential burglary within the 200 block of Lexington Drive. The suspect(s) forced entry and took several items from the residence. The same day an attempted burglary occurred within the 200 block of Colusa Avenue. It's believed that the same suspect(s) is responsible for both crimes due to evidence left at the scene. These cases are under investigation.

2011-9074 Residential Burglary

On Thursday, December 29, 2011, officers responded to a residential burglary on Franciscan Avenue. The resident was home and the suspects fled the area. Persons of interest have been identified and this investigation is on going.

KPD INVESTIGATIONS INFORMATION:

2011-8338 Identity Theft

On Monday, November 28, 2011, three Kensington merchants reported they had been the victims of identity theft. This case is under investigation.

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.

KPD INVESTIGATIONS

- Made several court runs for filling cases, and retrieve court notifications.
- Updated the KPD residential burglary log.
- Updated the KPD stolen vehicle log.
- I'm currently assigned one day per week as a Field Training Officer.

WEST-NET ASIGNMENT:

I am currently assigned to the West Contra Costa County Narcotic Enforcement Team (West-NET) one day per week.

While on this assignment I work with other West Contra Costa County law enforcement officers and agencies. I participate and aid in the service of search warrants, surveillance and on going narcotics investigations. This month we made several arrests, recovered firearms and narcotics and assisted other county agencies.

CRIME SUMMARY:

KPD Monthly Crime Statistics

February 2012

Part 1 Crimes	Reported	Open/ Pending	Suspended	Closed	Arrest
Homicide	0	0	0	0	0
Rape	0	0	0	0	0
Robbery	1	0	0	1	0
Felonious Assault	1	0	0	1	0
Residential Burglary	1	1	0	0	0
Grand Theft	0	0	0	0	0
Vehicle Theft	1	1	0	0	0
Commercial Burglary	1	1	0	0	0
<u>Part 1 Totals</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2</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	1	1	0	0	0
Petty theft	4	4	0	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	2	0	0	0
Drugs	1	0	0	1	3
Warrant	0	0	0	0	0
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
<u>Other Crime Totals</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>3</u>
<u>All Crime Totals</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>

Traffic Accidents (Non Injury)	1
Traffic Accidents (Injury)	0

•• **Detective Eric Stegman**

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

12-1582 Criminal Threats

Officers responded to a report of a subject making criminal threats and harassing phone calls. The subject was arrested at the scene. **This case is closed and has been submitted to the Contra Costa DA for prosecution.**

12-1674 Possession of Illegal Narcotics

Officer Foley and Detective Stegman arrested three subjects for possession of methamphetamine during a traffic stop. **This case is closed and will be submitted to the Contra Costa DA for prosecution.**

12-1823 Corporal Punishment or Injury to a Child

Officer Turner took a report of a parent who was accused by her child of physical abuse. Officer Turner's investigation did not reveal any credible evidence to substantiate the reporting party's claim. The report was forwarded to CPS. **No further action to be taken.**

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.

12-2148 Residential Burglary

During the month of March KPD Officers took one residential burglary. This case is under investigation.

KPD INVESTIGATIONS

- Made court run for filling cases, and retrieve court notifications.
- Updated the KPD Case Review Log
- Created stolen property log.
- I'm currently assigned one day per week as a Field Training Officer.
- Attended the West County Investigator's meeting.

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March 2012

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Homicide	0	0	0	0	0
Rape	0	0	0	0	0
Robbery	0	0	0	0	0
Felonious Assault	1	0	0	1	0
Residential Burglary	1	1	0	0	0
Grand Theft	0	0	0	0	0
Vehicle Theft	0	0	0	0	0
Part 1 Totals	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</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	0
Petty theft	3	1	0	2	0
Restraining Order Violations/ Stalking/ Criminal Threats	1	0	0	1	1
Sex Crimes (other)	0	0	0	0	0
Assault/ Battery (other)	0	0	0	0	0
Vandalism	1	1	0	0	0
Drugs	1	0	0	1	3
Warrant	0	0	0	0	0
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>3</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>
All Crime Totals	<u>10</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>
Traffic Accidents (Non Injury)	0				
Traffic Accidents (Injury)	0				

•• **Chief Harman**

For this month's Chief's Report, I am attaching the memo that was sent to the KPPCSD Board of Directors following a Public Records Act request made by Director Cathie Kosel. This request was in response to comments I had made in the January 2012 Monthly Report and the presentation of a Unit Commendation to the personnel of the Kensington Police Department.