



GARDENA, CA

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GARDENA NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH NEWSLETTER

EMERGENCY	911	DETECTIVES	(310) 217-9607
NON-EMERGENCY	(310) 323-7911	GRAFFITI/POTHoles	(310) 217-9650
POLICE RECORDS	(310) 217-9600	COMMUNITY AFFAIRS	(310) 217-9689



Gardena Direct is an application which is free to the public and provides the community an easy way to receive updates about what's happening in Gardena, submit requests for service (graffiti, potholes, illegal dumping, etc.), and track their requests.

To submit a report online: <http://iframe.publicstuff.com>

OR Download the app on the Google Play Store or,

Apple Store App—Search for “Gardena Direct”

MESSAGE FROM CHIEF THOMAS KANG



The Gardena Police Department places a strong emphasis on Community Policing, and has successfully implemented a District Policing Program citywide. Within our District Policing Program, Gardena is separated into three Districts, each with its own District Commander and dedicated police officers. By having three Districts, officers become specialized patrol units in each area, understanding the specific needs of the neighborhood and customizing their service to what the residents want. Under this model, we are able to interact one-on-one with residents and have a stronger knowledge of each neighborhood's uniqueness. By maintaining open lines of communication and consistent community involvement we are continually working on building a stronger community-police partnership. If you have any questions, comments, or

concerns, please feel free to email me at: chief@gardenapd.org, or by calling (310) 217-9601.

DISTRICT LIEUTENANTS



District One

Lt. Prendergast (310) 217-9686
sprendergast@gardenapd.org

District Two

Lt. Brock (310) 217-6128
dbrock@gardenapd.org

District Three

Lt. Lee (310) 217-9612
elee@gardenapd.org

Holly Park HOA

Rowley Park Community Room
13220 South Van Ness Avenue
First Thursday of every month
@ 7:00 PM

NE Quadrant NW

Community Room of GTrans
13999 South Western Avenue
Last Tuesday of every month
@ 6:30 PM

Casimir Gate Keepers Block Watch

Meets Quarterly
Contact District Lt. for upcoming
dates

Haas Ave Block Watch

13123 Haas Avenue
Contact District Lt. for upcoming
dates

Junipero Serra High School

14830 South Van Ness Avenue
Second Thursday of every
month
@ 6:30 PM

CrossRoad Church NW

15916 Crenshaw Boulevard
Last Monday of every month
@ 7:00 PM

Area One

Gardena Juvenile Justice
Center
16206 Western Avenue Ste F
Third Thursday of every even
month @ 7:00 PM

Area Two

Arthur Johnson Park
1200 West 170th Street
Fourth Tuesday of every
even
month @ 7:00 PM

Area Three and Four

Gardena Juvenile Justice
Center
16206 Western Avenue Ste F
Fourth Thursday of every odd
month @ 7:00 PM

Garden West Mobil Estates

17700 South Western
Avenue
Second Wednesday of every
even
month @ 7:00PM



EMPLOYMENT



The Gardena Police Department is actively looking for you to join our team!

What are the requirements to apply? You must possess a High School diploma or GED Certificate. College training is highly desirable. You must be 21 years at the time of appointment. You must listen effectively, speak and write clearly, and read with understanding. You must also be in good physical condition and obtain a valid "C" California drivers license.

Visit us online to submit your application :

<https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/cityofgardena/jobs/2224813/police-officer/apply?pagetype=jobOpportunitiesJobs>



For questions, please contact Lt. Osorio at vosorio@gardenapd.org



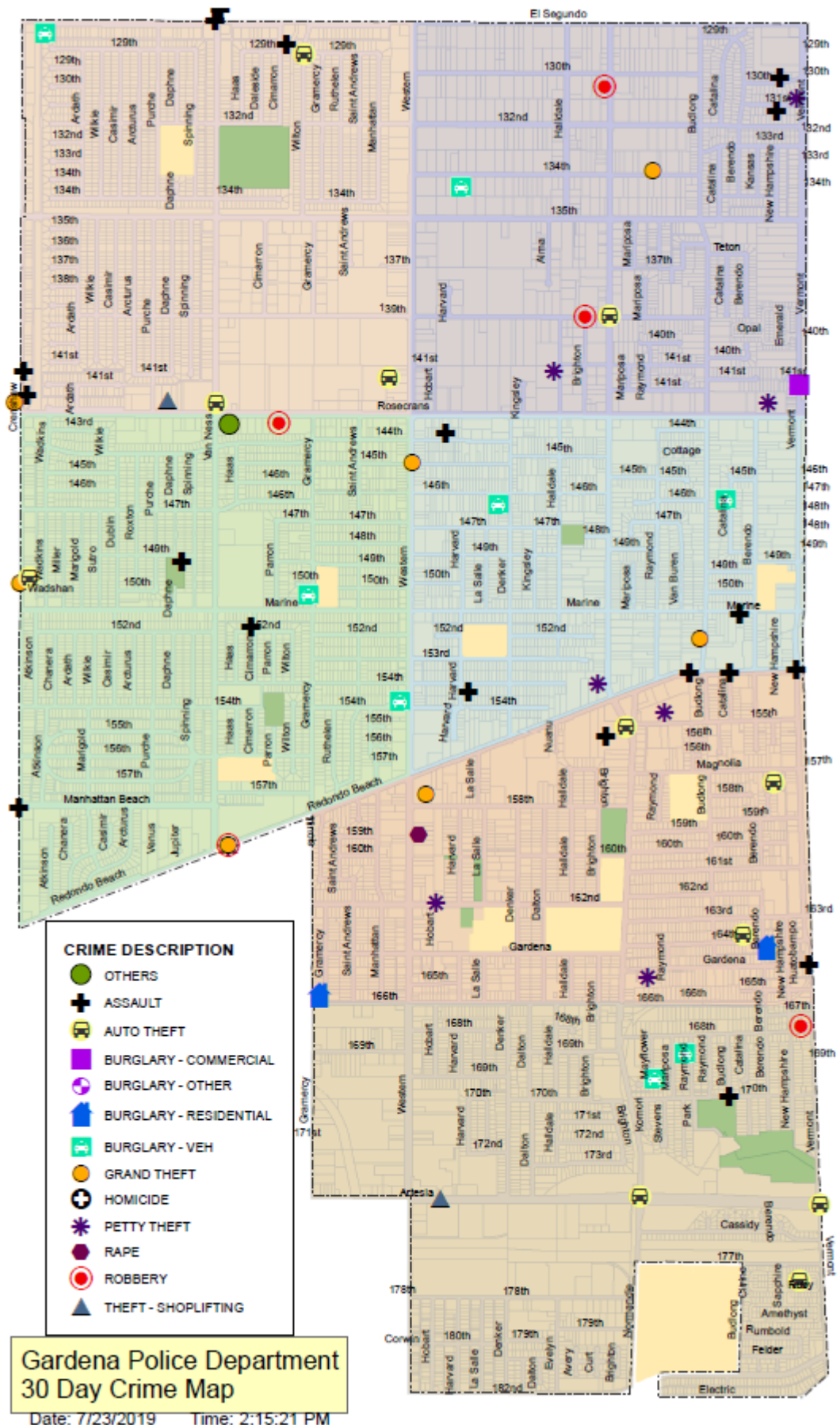
CRIME UPDATE

The following map represents the crime in Gardena for the month of June. The table list the types of crimes we have had in the past month.

To find more up-to-date crime stats, please visit www.gardenapd.org

June 2019

Homicide	1
Residential Burglary	12
Commercial Burglary	5
Vehicle Crimes	61
Assaults	5



TOSHIO HIRAI MEMORIAL RUN



On Tuesday, July 23, 2019, the Gardena Police Department and Rio Hondo Police Academy Class 208 teamed up for a colors run at 8 a.m. in honor of our fallen brother Toshio Hirai. Officer Hirai graduated from the Rio Hondo Police Academy in 2008. Those participating in this special event ran in formation a total of 6 miles through the city of Gardena and Lawndale.

In honor of Officer Hirai, the Rio Hondo Police Academy designed and customized a miniature replica police unit for his son to have in order to keep his legacy alive.

GPD EXPLORER PROGRAM



On Tuesday July 23rd, 2019, the Gardena Police Explorers were recognized for their recent achievement at the Central Valley Explorer Competition by the city council members of Gardena.

During this momentous occasion, Explorer Lieutenant De La Rosa, Explorer Captain Preciado and Officer Nash expressed their gratitude to the city dignitaries, for their continuous support of the Gardena Police Department's Explorer program.

Please join us in celebrating these young men and women for their hard work and dedication.

UPCOMING EVENTS



National Night Out is an annual community-building campaign that promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie to make Gardena safe and a more caring place to live.

National Night Out enhances the relationship between neighbors and law enforcement while bringing back a true sense of community. Furthermore, it provides a great opportunity to bring police and neighbors together under positive circumstances.

Come down and talk with Gardena Chief of Police Thomas Kang meet Mayor Tasha Cerda, and other city dignitaries as well as members of the Gardena Police Department.

Tuesday, August 6, 2019

7PM-9PM

1718 W. 162nd St Gardena, CA 90247

For more information please contact (310) 217-9689

UPCOMING EVENTS

FREE MOVIES IN THE PARK

THE CITY OF GARDENA PRESENTS

SPIDERMAN INTO THE SPIDERVERSE
Saturday, June 29, 2019
Rowley Park
13220 S. Van Ness Avenue

CAPTAIN MARVEL
Saturday, July 20, 2019
Mas Fukal Park
15800 S. Brighton Avenue

INCREDIBLES 2
Saturday, August 3, 2019
Nakaoka Community Center
1670 W. 162nd Street

Food Vendors open at 7pm

Bring your blankets and lawn chairs!

Recreation and Human Services Department
Ken Nakaoka Community Center
1670 W. 162nd Street
Gardena, CA 90247

INFORMATION (310) 217-9537

The City of Gardena and the Gardena Valley Chamber of Commerce invite you to

OPERATION BACKPACK IN THE PARK

Friday, August 2, 2019
Food | Music | Fun
4pm-7pm
Johnson Park
1200 W. 170th St,
Gardena, CA 90247

Local Businesses and Organizations will be giving away school supplies to 300 Gardena students while supplies last!

HUSTLER CASINO
LAHSA
PAH
TOMMY
93.5 XDAY
EDISON INNOVATIONS

All participants must RSVP via Eventbrite!
https://operationbackpack_gardena.eventbrite.com

City of Gardena | 310-217-9594 | JCoppa@cityofgardena.org | Jaclyn Coppa
Gardena Chamber | 310-532-9905 | Info@Gardenachamber.org | Wanda Love

GET READY FOR FALL

CITY OF GARDENA

VACCINATION, MICROCHIP & LICENSING CLINIC

SUNDAY, AUGUST 4TH, 2019
8:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Rowley Park
13220 Van Ness Avenue,
Gardena, CA 90249

LOW COST VACCINES

GET YOUR PET MICROCHIPPED

RENEW YOUR PET'S LICENSE

For additional information contact the City of Gardena Police Department at (310) 217-6171 or PDCodeEnforcement@cityofgardena.org

- Rabies vaccination: \$10
- Microchipping: \$7.50 (Registration Not Included)
- Vaccinations:
 - Canine
 - DHLPP \$15
 - Bordetella \$15
 - Canine Influenza \$10
 - Feline
 - FVRCP \$15

CASH AND CASH ONLY

LOS ANGELES COUNTY ANIMAL CARE & CONTROL | redefining CARE

17TH ANNUAL GARDENA JAZZ FESTIVAL

Headliner: Stanley Clarke

Jazz Funk Soul
Marcus Johnson
Jazz in Pink
Cornelius Mims
and **THE KREW II AID**
Fernando Pollum
Community Arts Center
Artist subject to change

2nd Stage
Supa Lowery Brothers
The F.E.R.M.
The Wyldebunch
Contest Winner
Artist subject to change

Pat Prescott
94.7 The Wave

Tickets on Sale NOW!

To purchase tickets visit gardenajazzfestival17.eventbrite.com or visit our website at cityofgardena.org

Tickets will also be sold at the **Nakaoka Center**
1670 W. 162nd Street
Gardena, CA 90247

STEVEN BRADFORD
Executive Arts Director
Chair and Founder

For more information contact the Recreation Division at 310.217.9537 or email us: gardenajazzfestival@cityofgardena.org



Text 'Gardena' to **888777**

for updates from GPD
about road closures,
events, crimes, and more.

Follow us on

SOCIAL MEDIA!

Visit us on the web at:

www.gardenapd.org



Gardena Police
Department



@GARDENA_POLICE



@GPDCHIEF

@GARDENAPD

SAVE-THE-DATE

COMMUNITY CLEAN-UP DAY

TOGETHER, WE CAN
MAKE GARDENA A
CLEANER PLACE!

**SATURDAY,
SEPTEMBER 21, 2019
8:00 AM - NOON**

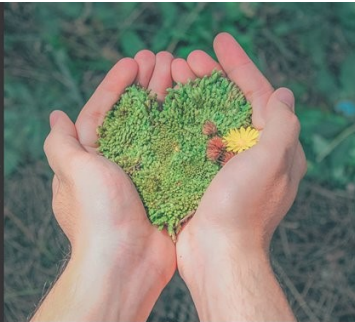


The City of Gardena and the Gardena Beautification Committee invite you to participate in the City of Gardena's 20th Annual "KEEP GARDENA BEAUTIFUL DAY."

You can make a difference in our community. Help us clean up our City parks, rights-of-way, and neighborhoods. We will plant flowers, remove litter and do minor landscaping around the City. Afterwards, we will celebrate our achievements with a lunch at Mas Fukai Park, 15800 Brighton Ave, Gardena, CA 90247.

For more information about how you can participate, contact the City Manager's Office at (310) 217-9503 or email your questions to volunteer@cityofgardena.org.

Sponsorship Opportunities Available!



For more information, please contact the
City Manager's Office at (310) 217-9503

CONTRIBUTE

We welcome any contributions for crime
prevention tips or articles to our next newsletter!

E-MAIL SUBSCRIPTION

Subscribers to our email list will
receive our monthly Gardena Police
Department Newsletter.

WELCOME FOLDERS FOR NEW RESIDENTS!

The Gardena Police Department
creates Welcome Folders for our new
Residents as a new outreach method.
These folders include a welcome letter
from Chief Kang and a variety
of City and Police resources.

If you are a new resident or know
someone who recently moved into your
neighborhood, please let us know!

To contribute to our newsletter, subscribe to our email or information on our welcome folders for new residents, please contact Community Affairs Coordinator Erika McLeod (310) 217-9689 or via email at emcleod@gardenapd.org



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