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JULY DONATIONS UPDATE

The Huntington Beach Neighborhood Watch Program (HBNW) **fiscal year** is from July 1 to June 30 each year. We have estimated we will need approximately \$24,300 this year to cover the various HBNW program expenses which include, but are not limited to, newsletter assembly, distribution costs, returned postage, mailing labels, etc. From the start of our fiscal year to now, we have received **\$750.00 in donations and newsletter advertisements- we have \$23,550.00 to go by June 30, 2019.** The HBNW Board thanks you and our advertisers for your support and generous donations. An \$8 donation pays for each subscriber's distribution costs; a \$10 donation helps with these costs and other needed expenses and puts your name in the Newsletter as a contributor; and a \$25 or more donation accomplishes the above, plus you will receive a HBNW sticker and a token of appreciation. Remember, HBNW is a non-profit organization; **donations are tax deductible.**

As a resident of the city, we encourage you to review the HBNW program budget and expenses.

We strongly suggest you sign up to receive your Newsletter either **electronically** or through the mail. **The Newsletter has valuable crime prevention information and crime statistics.** Donations are not necessary to receive the Newsletter, but if you wish to make a donation, please make your check payable to:

HB NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH PROGRAM

Send to: **HB NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH
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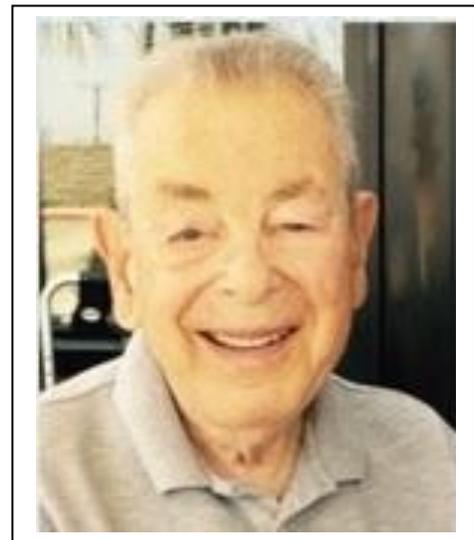
Or: **HB POLICE DEPARTMENT
Attn: NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH
2000 MAIN ST.
HUNTINGTON BEACH, CA 92648**

For more information please call (714) 536-5983.

IN LOVING MEMORY
May You Rest In Peace

**HUNTINGTON BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT
RETIRED SENIOR VOLUNTEER PROGRAM**

Ken Katz



**Thank you for the service you provided and the sacrifices you made to help keep us and your community safe.
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- HBPD SWAT
- HBPD Helicopter Unit
- And MORE

With us!

WHEN: TUESDAY, AUGUST 7TH, 4:00-8:00 PM

WHERE: TARGET

9882 Adams Ave., Huntington Beach

PHONE: (714) 536-5983



"National Night Out Against Crime!"



Huntington Beach Police Department

Open House

Save the Date!



**Saturday
September 22nd, 2018
10 AM to 2 PM
Static Displays
Police Station Tours**





SUMMER POOL SAFETY



Millions of us enjoy warm weather every year by swimming in our backyard pools and relaxing in hot tubs. Drowning is a silent killer that can take a child's life in seconds. Tragically, over 200 young children drown in backyard swimming pools each year. Drowning is the #1 killer of children aged 1 to 3 years old. Children drown without a sound.

The American Red Cross suggests owners make pool safety their priority by following these guidelines:

The ABCs of Pool Safety -

A – Active Adult Supervision – During social gatherings, events or any time children are in or around water keep children under active supervision at all times. Assign one or more adults to supervise them. Be sure you are within arm's reach of the children you are supervising and that you have visual contact with them at all times. Do not let yourself become distracted by talking on the phone or talking with friends. If you are on the phone, reading or talking on the phone, you are not able to actively watch the children. Never allow anyone to swim alone. Have young or inexperienced swimmers wear a U.S. Coast Guard-approved life jacket.

B - Barriers - A four-sided isolation fence with a self-closing/self-latching gate, door alarm, pool cover and/or safety net are proven examples of effective barriers that keep children out of swimming pools and spas. The best protection is obtained by layering several of the barriers, so that if one fails there's another one in place. Remove toys from pools and hot tubs when not in use, as a child may try to retrieve the toy and accidentally fall in. Also, keep furniture away from pool fences so that children cannot use them to climb over the fence. Remove any ladders or steps used for access. Consider installing a pool alarm that goes off if anyone enters the pool. But remember that no barrier is 100% effective and can never replace active supervision.

C – Classes - Ensure everyone in the home knows how to respond to aquatic emergencies by having appropriate safety equipment and taking water safety, first aid and CPR classes. Also, ensure everyone in the home knows how to swim well by enrolling them in age-appropriate water orientation and learn-to-swim courses. These types of classes are available from the Red Cross, parks and recreation groups, etc. Look for adult and child swim classes to be sure the entire family knows water safety and how to swim. They can greatly enhance a drowning victim's chances of survival.

Other Pool Safety Tips –

- Keep your pool or hot tub water clean and clear. Maintain proper chemical levels, circulation and filtration. Regularly test and adjust the chemical levels to minimize the risk of earaches, rashes or more serious diseases.
- Establish and enforce rules and safe behaviors, such as “no diving,” “stay away from drain covers,” “swim with a buddy” and “walk please.”

YEAR TO DATE CRIMES REPORTED BY AREA

	<i>Downtown</i>	<i>Northeast</i>	<i>Northwest</i>	<i>Southeast</i>	<i>Southwest</i>
Homicide	0	0	0	0	0
Rape	4	13	6	3	5
Robbery	9	13	6	9	8
Aggravated Assault	11	27	24	14	14
Burglaries	11	49	72	35	27
<i>Commercial</i>	5	33	17	10	10
<i>Garage</i>	1	8	15	4	7
<i>Residence</i>	5	8	40	21	10
Larcenies	134	363	276	200	243
<i>All Other</i>	51	82	62	56	65
<i>From Building</i>	24	40	34	22	25
<i>From Vehicle/ Parts</i>	43	135	151	85	111
<i>Pickpocket</i>					
<i>Shoplifting</i>	16	105	28	37	41
<i>Vending</i>		1	1		1
Auto Theft	17	44	26	17	29
Arson		2	1	2	2

WORKING TO BUILD A SAFER COMMUNITY

The RSVP's and Neighborhood Watch Board members work together with the police department to provide many crime prevention and safety programs FREE of charge. We hope you will use these services to help keep you and your family safe.

RSVP's: *Provide Vacation House Checks* by checking your home when you're away. To use this service please go to our web site at www.hbpd.org and click on "Vacation House Checks". Complete and submit the form or call the RSVP office at 714-374-1507. Please allow 5 to 7 working days to process your request.

H.B. Neighborhood Watch Board members: *Provide speakers and materials for Neighborhood Watch Block Meetings*. This is a great way to get together with your neighbors, learn crime prevention and safety tips, find out what crimes are occurring in your neighborhood, what to look out for, and the best way to report crimes to the police department. To arrange a meeting please call 714-536-5983 or ask one of your Neighborhood Watch Board Members.



SPECIAL THANKS TO MEMBERS
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Anonymous Donors
Wendy Candlish
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The Huntington Beach Neighborhood Watch Newsletter-Quarterly Publication

The Huntington Beach Police Department and the HB Neighborhood Watch Program are always looking for ways to improve on the information provided to those who work and live in this great city. For the past 45 years, your HB Neighborhood Watch newsletter has served the community as the main source of information by either US Mail or local pick up locations. The total cost of this newsletter is approximately \$36,000 annually between printing and postage. Your HB Neighborhood Watch Program has always paid the postage and other expenses with the money collected from your most generous donations. In addition, your donations pay for events such as National Night Out and Neighborhood Watch street signs posted in neighborhoods.

In the future, the Police Department has a desire to move the Neighborhood Watch Newsletter to a more interactive, electronic online format. This will allow for additional crime prevention features and provide the residents of Huntington Beach access to an up-to-date crime statistic database and real time information. The newsletter will still be available to those residences who wish to continue receiving it in the mail and who responded to the survey that was put out for several months last year.

Effective April 2018, the newsletter will be printed and published electronically in January, April, July, and October. The next newsletter will be published in October 2018. If you wish to have your newsletter mailed out to you, you may contact (714) 536-5983 and we will add you to the mailing list.

New Police Department Front Desk Hours

Beginning January 13, 2018, the Police Department lobby will be closed Saturdays, Sundays and holidays (except the 4th of July). Business hours during the week are now from 8:00AM to 7:30PM.



Coyote Incident Reporter

The City of Huntington Beach has adopted a Coyote Management Plan. The goal of the plan is to support coexistence with urban coyotes using education, behavior modification, and development of a tiered response to aggressive coyote behavior. The City requests everyone complete the on-line form to report the sighting of and/or actions of coyotes. The City will use this information to take the appropriate public safety response according to the Management Plan.

The on-line Coyote Incident Reporter reporting form can be accessed via the City's website (<https://www.huntingtonbeachca.gov>) by going to the "I Want To" link followed by the "Report" link and then the "Coyote Issue" link.

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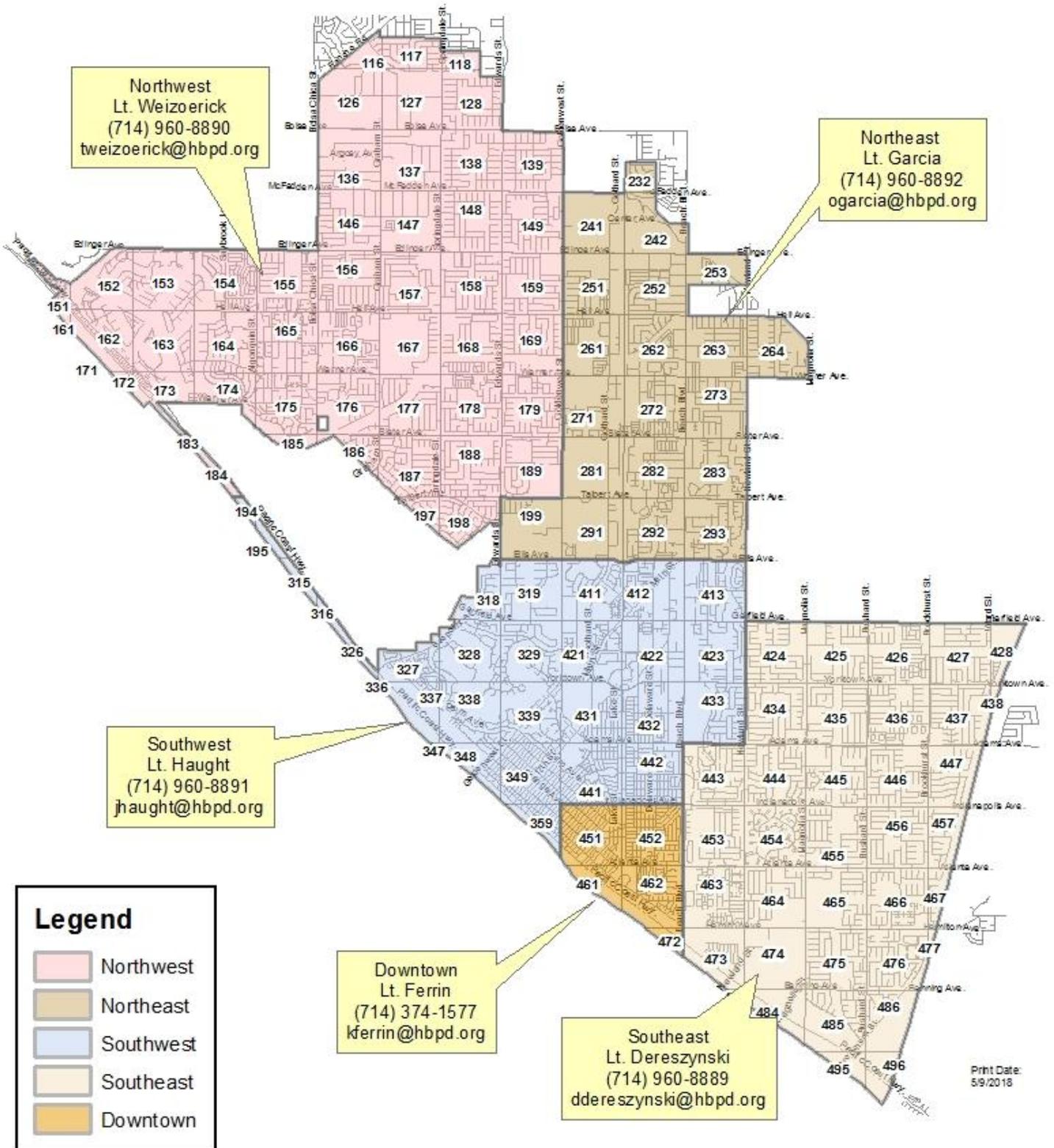
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