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**OCTOBER DONATION 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 \$25,000 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 **\$6,655 in donations and newsletter advertisements-- we have \$18,345 to go** by June 30 2010. The HBNW Board thanks you and our advertisers for your support and generous donations. A \$6 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 citizen 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:

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**Or: HB POLICE DEPARTMENT  
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HUNTINGTON BEACH, CA 92648**

**For more information please call (714) 536-5933.**



**NOT EVEN FOR  
A MINUTE**  
*(from  
www.kidsincars.org)*



Lots of caring and responsible parents have left their children alone in or around a car, not realizing the risks involved. Some parents think it is okay to leave a child alone in a car while they run into a store, quickly drop off dry cleaning or while dropping another child off at school. The dangers are real. The results of leaving a child unattended in or around a vehicle can be deadly.

- The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) reports that from July 1, 2000 through June 30, 2001, an estimated 9,160 children aged 14 years and younger were treated in U.S. hospital emergency departments for injuries caused by being left unattended in and around motor vehicles.
- Children should **never** be left alone in a vehicle, not even to run a quick errand.
- Keep vehicles locked at all times, even in the garage or driveway.
- Keys should never be left within reach of children.
- Always make sure that all child passengers have left the vehicle after it is parked.
- Walk around and behind a vehicle prior to moving it.
- Make sure that another adult is properly supervising children before moving your vehicle.

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## IF A CRIME OCCURS – REPORT IT!



Sound easy? Unfortunately, only about half of all crimes are ever reported. Too bad, because law enforcement can't do anything if they don't know what happened. Eyewitness information is the key to solving many crimes. Remember these tips when reporting crime to your law enforcement agency:

- ❖ Call the police immediately. A five minute delay may reduce the chance of ever catching the criminal.
- ❖ Tell the police as much as you can. No fact is too trivial. In many cases it is what victims and witnesses tell police about the criminal that results in an arrest. The police can use answers to as many of these questions as possible. Please remember that wrong information is worse than no information at all.
  - What occurred?
  - When did this occur?
  - Where did this occur?
  - How many suspects were there?
  - What did they do?
  - What did they say?
  - What did they take?
  - Which way did they go?
  - Were there any other witnesses? What are their names, addresses or phone numbers?
  - Is there any other information which you feel is important?
  - Can you describe the suspects?
  - Can you describe their vehicles?
- ❖ Sometimes, due to limited resources and personnel, law enforcement may not be able to respond immediately. They prioritize their calls based on apparent danger to human life. Don't be discouraged. They will get to you as soon as possible.
- ❖ Even an anonymous tip is better than nothing. Don't hesitate! Follow this rule:

If you see something suspicious, call law enforcement- fast- so they can act- fast. The longer you wait, the harder it is to catch the criminal.

### **Once You Have Reported The Crime, Stick With It.**

- ❖ It pays to prosecute. The majority of criminals who are arrested for property crimes are convicted.
- ❖ Being a witness in court is not as much trouble as you think. Each community provides services to help victims and witnesses with transportation, day care services or follow-up counseling.
- ❖ To get the phone number of your local victim/ witness assistance center, call your local law enforcement agency or 1-800-VICTIMS (1-800-842-8467).

For more information, write to:

Crime and Violence Prevention Center  
Attorney General's Office  
P.O. Box 944255  
Sacramento, CA 94244-2550

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## **NOT EVEN FOR A MINUTE**

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- Consider installing cross-view mirrors and/or a backup detection device on your vehicle.
- If a child is locked inside a car, get them out as quickly as possible. If they are very hot or seem sick, call 911 or your local emergency number immediately.
- When a child is missing, check vehicles and car trunks right away.
- Teach your children to never play in, around, or behind a vehicle.
- Be especially careful about keeping children safe in and around cars during busy times, schedule changes, and periods of crisis or holidays.

**Remember....**

**A car is not a toy...**

**A car is not a playground...**

**And...a car is certainly not a babysitter**

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## Holiday Travel Season



The holidays are almost here and many of you will be traveling to visit family and friends. Huntington Beach Neighborhood Watch would like to remind you that Huntington Beach RSVP's will be happy to provide you with a Free Vacation house check service during your time away. They are out patrolling the city every day (*except weekends*) and would be glad to check on your home.

They will make sure all your doors and windows are secure and locked. They will also pick up any papers that might be placed on your front door step. If anything looks out of place they will immediately report it to the Police Department.

Go on line to [www.hbpd.org](http://www.hbpd.org), scroll down, and on the left hand side you will see *vacation house checks*. Click it, complete the form, and hit submit. Remember to try to give at least one week notice and make sure you leave a contact phone number.

If you have any difficulty logging onto the form you can always call the RSVP office at (714)-374-1507.

We hope you have a happy and safe trip. Remember, stay alert, always be aware of your surroundings, and report all suspicious activity to the Police or Sheriff.



## Curb Crime



Don't be surprised if you pull up to a shopping center to see a Police Patrol Unit with signs nearby that say "**What's In Your Car?**" Nearby you will see either an RSVP (Retired Senior Volunteer Program member) or a VIPS (Volunteer in Police Service) handing out some helpful tips and reminders regarding auto burglaries. The tips, titled "REMOVE IT OR LOSE

IT", are intended to help you be proactive and safeguard your property. By taking the time to read this paper and share the information with others, you can help reduce crime.

Many vehicle burglaries are committed by an opportunist. The person sees your laptop, GPS holder, cell phone, purse, etc. inside your locked vehicle and cannot resist the opportunity to steal it. Have you thought about how much time it takes to smash your window, reach in, and remove your property?

If you see our Volunteers at a shopping center or around town, take the time to pick up some crime prevention pamphlets. Be sure to thank them for taking time from their busy schedules to provide you with some crime prevention tips.

### Do:

Always lock your car.

Keep your windows rolled up.

Lock valuables in your trunk away from public view.

Park in well-lit areas and pay attention to your surroundings (most criminals look like you and me).

### Do Not:

Leave items in plain view, i.e., iPods, GPS holders, cell phones, laptops, purses, etc.

Leave remote garage door openers in your vehicle.

Leave engine running when you are away from the vehicle.

Keep original ownership papers in vehicles.

For more information on protecting yourself from crime call the Huntington Beach Police Department Community Liaison Team at (714) 536-5933. Or you may visit our website at [www.hbpd.org](http://www.hbpd.org)

*Character is not made in  
a crisis - it is only exhibited.*  
----- *Robert Freeman*

**RESIDENTIAL BURGLARIES, VEHICLE BURGLARIES, GRAND THEFT AUTO**

The police patrol areas are the north and south. The patrol beats are 2-13. Your RD (Reporting District) is the half-mile square surrounding your home.

To locate your Beat and RD, please check the map on the back inside page. In most cases, your BEAT/RD is identified on your address mailing label.

**RESIDENTIAL BURGLARIES**

**33 entries in October**

**59 entries to September**

Eleven of the entries were due to **OPEN OR UNLOCKED** windows or doors. Eleven of these burglaries were committed during the day; six were committed at night and sixteen at an unknown time.

There were five garage entries.

**VEHICLE BURGLARIES**

**71 reported in October**

**79 reported in September**

**GRAND THEFT AUTO**

**25 reported in October**

**31 reported in September**

**BEAT 2**

**2 Residential Burglaries**

**3 Vehicle Burglaries**

**1 Grand Theft Auto**

**Residential Burglaries**

**RD 466-2**

Streets: Villa Pacific Dr., and Verde Mar Dr.

In RD 466, Villa Pacific Dr; Victim knows suspect

There was one garage burglary.

**Vehicle Burglaries**

**RD 466-1 RD 484-1**

**RD 486-1**

**Grand Theft Auto**

**RD 466-1**

**BEAT 3**

**1 Residential Burglary**

**1 Vehicle Burglary**

**0 Grand Theft Auto**

**Residential Burglaries**

**RD 457-1**

Street: Cynthia Dr.

**Vehicle Burglaries**

**RD 446-1**

**Grand Theft Auto**

**None reported**

**BEAT 4**

**5 Residential Burglaries**

**6 Vehicle Burglaries**

**4 Grand Theft Auto**

**Residential Burglaries**

**RD 442-1 RD 453-3**

**RD 473-1**

Streets: California St., Goshawk Ln., Sail Cr., Castilian Dr., and Newland St.

In RD 453, Goshawk; Suspect(s) are possibly known.

**Vehicle Burglaries**

**RD 443-1 RD 452-1**

**RD 463-3 RD 462-1**

**RD 462 attempt only**

**Grand Theft Auto**

**RD 432-1 RD 442-1**

**RD 453-1 RD 462-1**

**BEAT 5**

**0 Residential Burglaries**

**2 Vehicle Burglaries**

**0 Grand Theft Auto**

**Residential Burglaries**

**None reported**

**Vehicle Burglaries**

**RD 434-1 RD 436-1**

**RD 434 attempt only**

**Grand Theft Auto**

**None reported**

**BEAT 6**

**4 Residential Burglaries**

**13 Vehicle Burglaries**

**0 Grand Theft Auto**

**Residential Burglaries**

**RD 329-1 RD 348-1**

**RD 349-2**

Streets: Cedarwood Dr., 18<sup>th</sup> St., 15<sup>th</sup> St., and 14<sup>th</sup> St.

In RD 348, 18<sup>th</sup> St.; Suspect is possibly known.

In RD 349, 15<sup>th</sup> St.; Victim heard voices coming from her open window and shouted, "Who's there?" When victim stepped outside she saw a male and female both wearing dark clothing and walking away.

In RD 349, 14<sup>th</sup> St.; Victim was asleep on the couch and awoke because she felt someone squeezing her thigh. She saw a stranger in her house and told him to leave. Suspect eventually left and the victim locked her doors and windows. Suspect described as male, Hispanic, medium complexion, 24 – 25 years old, brown eyes, medium length black hair, jelled and slicked back, clean shaven, 5'7" to 5'9" height, 170 – 180 lbs, medium build, front crooked teeth, no accent, deep voice, wearing dark pants, blue/black t-shirt, and dark shoes.

**Vehicle Burglaries**

**RD 339-1 RD 349-1**

**RD 359-1 RD 431-1**

**RD 451-7 RD 461-2**

**RD 451 one was an attempt only**

**Grand Theft Auto**

**None reported**

**BEAT 7**

**3 Residential Burglaries**

**3 Vehicle Burglaries**

**1 Grand Theft Auto**

**Residential Burglaries**

**RD 422-3**

Streets: Williams Ave., Huntington St., and Pompano Ln.

In RD 422, Huntington St.; suspects took a dog that was kept inside the home.

In RD 422, Pompano Ln; Suspect(s) remove a laptop computer and MP3 player from inside an unlocked vehicle inside an unlocked garage as well as a bicycle that was against the wall.

There was one garage burglary.

**RESIDENTIAL BURGLARIES, VEHICLE BURGLARIES, GRAND THEFT AUTO**

Vehicle Burglaries

RD 292-1 RD 421-2

Grand Theft Auto

RD 422-1

BEAT 8

1 Residential Burglary  
4 Vehicle Burglaries  
3 Grand Theft Auto

Residential Burglaries

RD 177-1

Streets: Nordina Dr.

Vehicle Burglaries

RD 168-1 RD 178-1  
RD 179-2

Grand Theft Auto

RD 176-2 RD 178-1

BEAT 9

3 Residential Burglaries  
8 Vehicle Burglaries  
2 Grand Theft Auto

Residential Burglaries

RD 271-1 RD 282-2

Streets: Betty Dr., Slater Ave., and Speer Ave.

Vehicle Burglaries

RD 264-1 RD 272-3  
RD 273-1 RD 282-1  
RD 283-2

Grand Theft Auto

RD 263-1 RD 282-1

BEAT 10

10 Residential Burglaries  
4 Vehicle Burglaries  
4 Grand Theft Auto

Residential Burglaries

RD 155-2 RD 162-1  
RD 164-2 RD 165-4  
RD 174-1

Streets: Waikiki St., De Anza Cr., Channel Ln., Barefoot Cr., Sea Harbour Dr., Hoskins St., Blanton St., Red Wing Ln., Warner Ave.

In RD 155, Waikiki St., Suspects described as: suspect #1, male, Hispanic, 30 to 40 years old, approximately 170 lbs., thin build, tan

complexion, wearing dark pants, long sleeve shirt, and white shoes.

Suspect #2, male, 30 to 40 years old, height 5'11", blonde, long puffy hair, had a forest green backpack, unknown clothing, and seen riding a multi colored bicycle.

In RD 174, Warner Ave.; Suspect is in custody and the property was returned to the victim.

There were three garage burglaries.

Vehicle Burglaries

RD 155-2 RD 165-2

Grand Theft Auto

RD 165-2 RD 173-1  
RD 175-1

BEAT 11

1 Residential Burglary  
7 Vehicle Burglaries  
2 Grand Theft Auto

Residential Burglaries

RD 166-1

Streets: Heil Ave.

Vehicle Burglaries

RD 156-1 RD 158-2  
RD 167-2 RD 169-2

Grand Theft Auto

RD 158-2

BEAT 12

1 Residential Burglary  
4 Vehicle Burglaries  
1 Grand Theft Auto

Residential Burglaries

RD 138-1

Streets: Thor Dr.

Vehicle Burglaries

RD 136-1 RD 138-1  
RD 149-1 RD 242-1

Grand Theft Auto

RD 148-1

BEAT 13

2 Residential Burglaries  
16 Vehicle Burglaries  
7 Grand Theft Auto

Residential Burglaries

RD 261-1 RD 262-1

Streets: Golden West St., and Woodlake Dr.

Vehicle Burglaries

RD 241-1 RD 242-3  
RD 251-1 RD 252-2  
RD 253-1 RD 262-7  
RD 272-1

RD 262 one was an attempt only

Grand Theft Auto

RD 241-1 RD 252-1  
RD 253-2 RD 261-1  
RD 262-2

IF YOUR STREET WAS LISTED AS HAVING A RESIDENTIAL OR VEHICLE BURGLARY, IT WOULD BE WISE TO SCHEDULE A NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH MEETING. REMEMBER, THE BEST DEFENSE IS A GOOD NEIGHBOR.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL NILDA PATIÑO de BERNDT, HBPD COMMUNITY RELATIONS SPECIALIST AT (714) 536-5933.



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*Trust is difficult to earn and it is easily lost- The trust built over a decade can be shattered in an instant by one off-hand remark or deed.*

*-Author unknown*

*When we draw strength from within, our outlook undergoes a dramatic transformation; everything around us looks completely different.*

*-Author unknown*

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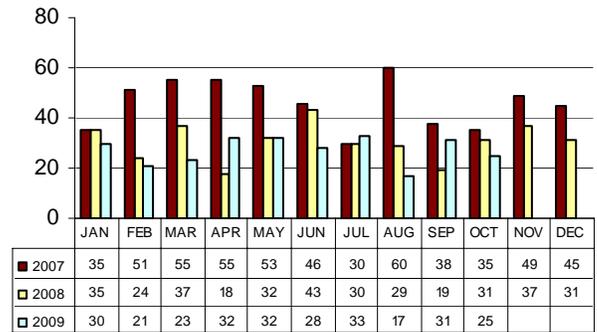
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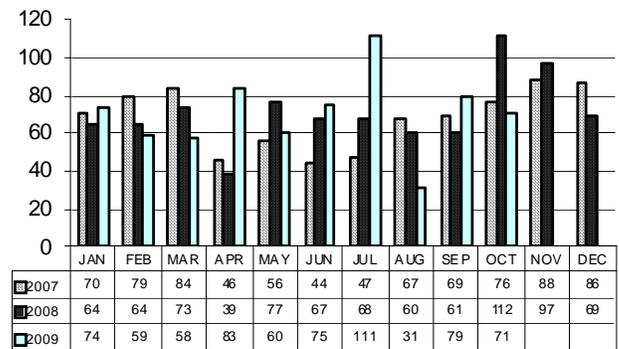
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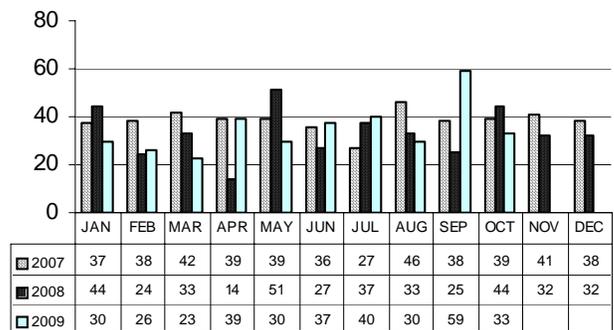
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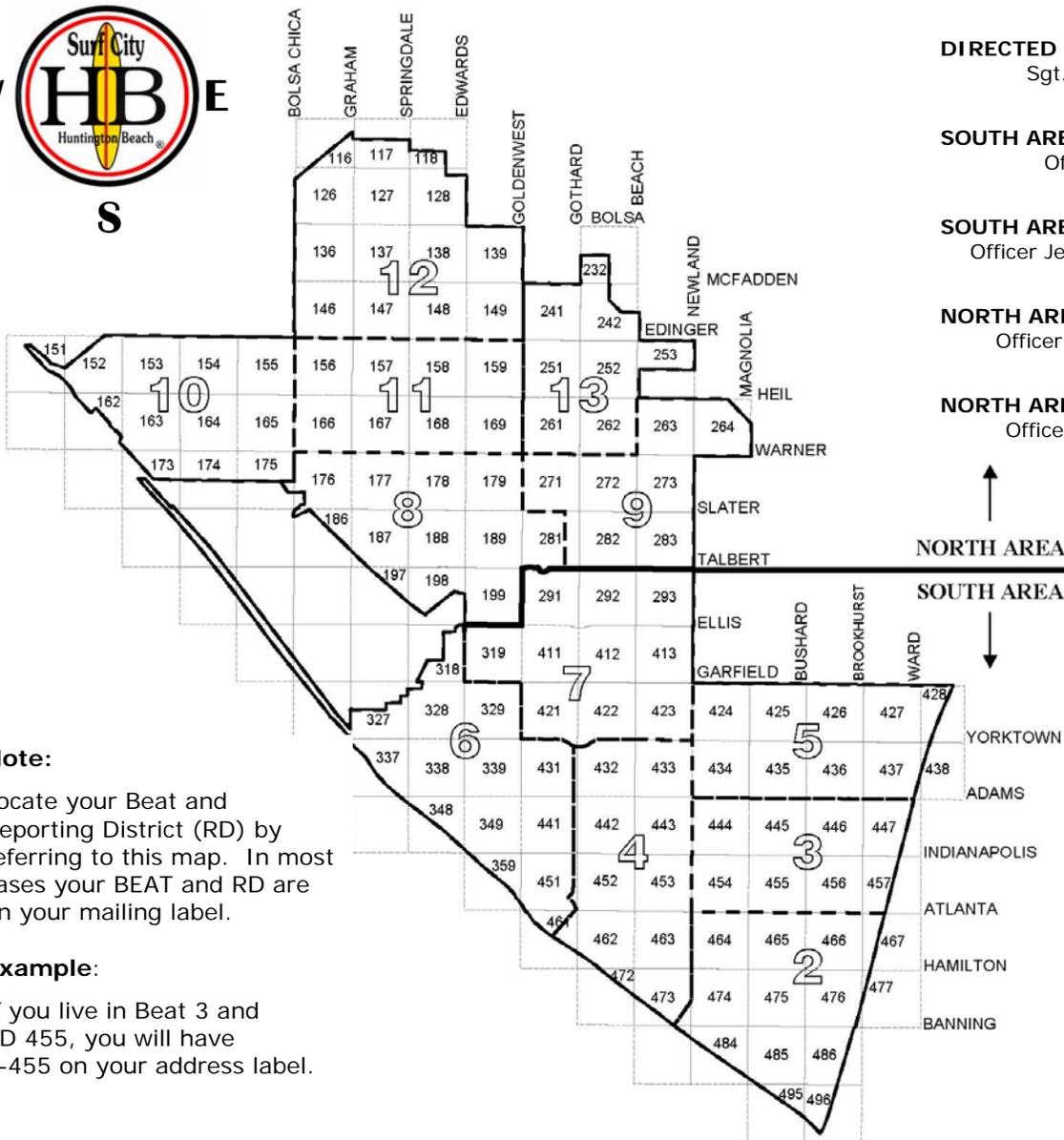
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**Example:**

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