

January 2014 Police Department Report

February 7, 2014

- Department Personnel
 - We are fully staffed at 10 sworn positions with two reserve officers.

We have one officer that has been off for the past 4 weeks for an off duty injury. The officer could be off for up to six more months.

We were in the process of conducting backgrounds on two reserve officer candidates but one is now in the employment process with the Contra Costa Sheriff's Department and the other was removed from consideration. Sergeant Hui is conducting recruiting for reserve officer at the local police academies.

- Commendations and Correspondence
 - January 9th, e-mail sent by Larry Nagel thanking Officer Turner for his response to an alarm at his residence.
 - January 24th, letter of commendation to Officer Martinez from Stacey Smitter thanking him for his assistance in dealing with a personal issue.

- Investigation of Alleged Misconduct
 - All investigations have been completed.

- 9-1-1 / Richmond Communication Center Information.
 - The Ring Time Report for December identified 44 total 911 calls with 6 having ring times over 20 seconds. The average ring time for the month was 13 seconds. Per the dispatcher supervisor, this unusually long ring time was the result of one call that rang for 2 minutes and 50 seconds. The incident that prompted that call was a vehicle accident on Arlington in front of the store group, in which several people called 911 to report the same accident. Without that one call, the ring time average would have been 7 seconds rather than 13 seconds.

- The Ring Time Report for January identified 37 total 911 calls with 4 having ring times over 20 seconds. The average ring time for the month was 10 seconds.
- Community Networking
 - On 1-08-14, Chief Harman attended the West County Police Chief's meeting in Hercules.
 - On 1-13-14, Sergeant Barrow and Lynn Wolter attended the KCC meeting.
 - On 1-13-14, Officer Wilson attended the Kensington Public Safety Council meeting.
 - On 1-17-14, Chief Harman attended the CSDA Membership and Education Committee meetings in Sacramento.
 - On 1-27-14, Chief Harman attended the Contra Costa County CSDA meeting in Concord.
 - On 1-27-14, Chief Harman attended the KIC meeting.
 - On 1-29-14, Sergeant Barrow and Corporal Stegman attended the funeral for BART Sergeant Tommy Smith in Castro Valley.
- Community Criminal Activity
 - This section of the Watch Commanders Reports are prepared by Sergeant Barrow for Team One, Sergeant Hui for Team Two, and Detective Stegman.

• Watch Commander Reports

•• **Sergeant Barrow**

TEAM #1 STATISTICS

Officer:	Ramos (K41) (0600-1800)	Wilson (K38) (1800-0600)	Wilkins (K50) (1800-0600)
Days Worked	17	14	2
Traffic Stops	15	8	0
Moving Citations	13	4	0
Parking Citations	2	7	0
Vacation/Security Checks	4	29	0

FI-Field Interview	1	2	0
Traffic Accident Reports	2	1	0
Cases	4	2	0
Arrests	1	1	0
Calls for Service	50	48	6

- BRIEFING/TRAINING:
- Reviewed 20001 CVC – Duty to Stop at Scene of Accident
- Reviewed 20002 CVC – Permissible Action Duty Where Property Damaged
- Reviewed 20008 CVC – Duty to Report Accidents
- Reviewed 20012 CVC – Reports Confidential Exceptions
- Reviewed 20015 CVC – Counter Reports No Determination of Faults
- Reviewed Warrantless Breathalyzer Test of an Officer after an “OIS”
- Reviewed Release of Guest Information by Motels
- Reviewed KPD Policy 342 – Department Computer Use
- Reviewed KPD Policy 344 Report Preparation
- Reviewed KPD Policy 346 – News Media Relations
- Reviewed KPD Policy 348 – Court Appearance and Subpoenas

SERGEANT’S REVIEW:

We have taken several fraud reports this month. The first was a fraud in which an unknown subject called a resident on the phone and posed as the resident’s family member, who claimed to have been arrested for drunk driving. The subject then handed the phone to his supposed lawyer who asked for \$2800 to get the family member out of jail. The victim in this case feared for his family member’s safety and sent the money. Shortly after sending the money he found out that it was a scam and was able to cancel the transfer of funds.

In another fraud, a different resident reported an Internet scam concerning PG&E where they had received an e-mail stating their bill is overdue and needed to be paid immediately. The e-mail also contained an account number and other information that was not accurate. The potential victim telephoned PG&E who had already set up a hotline concerning the scam, and reassured the victim that they would not be responsible for any potential loss.

I only bring this to your attention because these types of crimes are still on the rise. There is also another similar internet scam, asking for money because a family member or friend is in trouble or stranded in another part of the world.

So if you receive a call or email like this, ask questions, take a moment and process what the person is telling you. Call family and friends and verify the story. Confirm account information without giving any out, ask questions, or simply hang up and call the provider of the service to see if the inquiry is legitimate.

SERGEANT'S SUMMARY:

- SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:
- 2014-0090 – On 1-8-2014, Officer Ramos responded to the 200 block of Cambridge Ave for a reported suspicious person who later was arrested for Driving Under the Influence.
- 2014-0153 – On 1-13-2014, Officer Ramos responded to the 100 block of Arlington Ave for a reported identity theft.
- 2014-0158 – On 1-13-2014, Reserve Officer Armanino responded to the 100 block of Highland Blvd for a reported fraud.
- 2014-0172 – On 1-14-2014, Officer Wilson responded to the 200 block of Arlington Ave for a reported non-injury hit and run vehicle collision.
- 2014-0173 – On 1-14-2014, Sergeant Barrow responded to the 200 block of Arlington Ave and arrested a subject for being drunk in public.
- 2014-0239 – On 1-19-2014, Sergeant Barrow responded to the 200 block of Arlington Ave for a reported injury accident.
- 2014-0247 – On 1-20-2014, Corporal Stegman and Sergeant Barrow responded to the 1500 block of Giaramita Street in North Richmond to conduct a follow up interview and took a subject into custody for a \$150,000. Warrant for burglary and possession of stolen property.
- 2014-0272 – On 1-22-2014, Officer Ramos responded to the 300 block of Arlington Ave for a reported non-injury hit and run vehicle collision.
- 2014-0339 – On 1-27-2014, Officer Ramos responded to the 200 block of Lake Drive for a reported non-injury hit and run vehicle collision.

TRAFFIC STATISTICS:

Team #1 took 4 traffic collision reports during the month of January.

1 moving citation was issued on Franciscan Way.

16 moving citations were issued on Arlington Ave.

1 moving citation was issued on Kenyon Ave.

1 moving citation was issued on Colusa Ave.

•• **Sergeant Hui**

TEAM #2 STATISTICS

Sergeant Hui (K42)
(1600-0400)

Officer:	Martinez (K31) (0600-1800)	Turner (K46) (1800-0600)
Days Worked	8	14
Traffic Stops	12	31
Moving Citations	7	9
Parking Citations	5	2
Vacation/Security	6	34
Checks		
Cases	5	1
Arrests	0	3
Traffic Accident Reports	1	0
Calls for Service	59	32

Officer Turner took 2 vacation days.

Officer Turner recovered 3 hours of comp time

Sergeant Hui recovered 6.5 of comp time.

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SERGEANT’S SUMMARY:

During this past month, my patrol team has been encountering several solicitors near the Kensington/Berkeley borders. Please keep in mind that solicitors working in Kensington are required to obtain a permit from the Contra Costa County Sheriff’s office. The purpose of the permitting process is simply to make sure that the businesses and their employees who are soliciting are legitimate.

If you are contacted by a solicitor, your safest option is to ask them for a business card or brochure and tell them that you will look up their product or service via their website. I would not recommend giving them any money, checks, or your credit card information because this opens up the potential for fraud and identity theft. In my experience, a legitimate company will still “credit” their solicitor for a web or phone order generated by their efforts.

I have also spoken to several residents who told me that they were contacted by solicitors who were extremely aggressive. In the event that you are contacted by a solicitor, you can always call the police department. An officer will respond, determine if the solicitor is in compliance with the permit requirements, and determine if they are conducting legitimate business.

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

- 2014-0011– On 1/01/2014, Sergeant Hui responded to the unit blk of Edgecroft Ave on a report of a mail theft.
- 2014-0020– On 1/02/2014, Officer Martinez responded to the 200 blk of Stanford Ave on a report of a fraud.
- 2014-0043– On 1/03/2014, Officer Turner contacted a subject on the 200 blk of Arlington Ave and subsequently arrested him for an outstanding warrant.
- 2014-0045– On 1/03/2014, Officer Turner responded to the unit blk of Kingston Rd on a report of a fraud.
- 2014-0047– On 1/04/2014, Officer Turner contacted the occupants of a suspicious vehicle at the intersection of Lawson Rd at Craft Rd and subsequently arrested one occupant for an outstanding warrant.
- 2014-0097– On 1/09/2014, Officer Martinez responded to the 200 blk of Willamette Ave on a report of tampering with a vehicle.
- 2014-0111– On 1/10/2014, Officer Martinez responded to the 200 blk of Arlington Ave on a report of a hit and run traffic collision.
- 2014-0113– On 1/10/2014, Officer Martinez responded to the 100 blk of Purdue Ave on a report of a vehicle burglary.
- 2014-0180– On 1/10/2014, Officer Martinez responded to the unit blk of Dewey Rd on a report of a residential burglary.
- 2014-0328– On 1/26/2014, Officer Turner initiated a traffic stop near the intersection of Yale Ave and Yale Cir and arrested the driver for DUI.

Reserve Officer:	Armanino (K47)
Days Worked	1
Traffic Stops	2
Moving Citations	0
Parking Citations	0

Vacation/Security Checks	0
Cases	0
Arrests	0
Traffic Accident Reports	0
Calls for Service	1

Traffic Totals for Team 2 – includes Master Sergeant Hull

18 citations were issued on Arlington Ave
 9 citations were issued on Colusa Ave
 2 citations were issued on Kenyon Rd
 1 citation was issued on Franciscan Way

•• **Detective Eric Stegman**

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:

13-5850 Sexual assault/ Child molest

This investigation is still pending lab results. The suspect has been identified and all investigative leads have been exhausted. This case will be submitted to the DA’s Office for review. **Note: The allegations involved in this case do not meet the criteria to classify it under UCR as a part one rape thus it will not appear on my statistics as a part one crime.**

13-5971 Burglary

On 12/17/13, a burglary occurred on the unit block of Arlington Ct. The victim contacted KPD on 12/18/13 and advised one of the stolen items, an iPhone, was still powered on and they had used the “find my phone“ feature, which indicated the phone was at a residence in unincorporated Richmond. Sgt. Barrow and Officer Ramos responded to the Richmond address and contacted the residents who advised they had purchased the phone from someone they knew from the neighborhood. Sgt. Barrow and Officer Ramos were able to identify the subject who sold them the items and retrieve multiple additional items of stolen property from the residence. On 1/20/14 Sergeant Barrow and I arrested a suspect who was found to be in possession of some of the stolen property in this case.

KPD INVESTIGATIONS

- I made court runs to file cases, and retrieve court notifications.
- I updated the KPD Case Review Log.
- I reviewed the “Trak Flyer” messages and maintained the flyer board.
- On 1/24/14 and 1/25/14, I attended the first of a series of classes at the Inner Perspectives Leadership Program.
- On 1/26/14 I attended the memorial service for Officer Tom Smith of BART PD who was killed in the line of duty.

KPD Monthly Crime Statistics

January 2014

Part 1 Crimes	Reported	Open/ Pending	Suspended	Closed	Arrest
Homicide	0	0	0	0	0
Rape	0	0	0	0	0
Robbery	0	0	0	0	0
Assault	1	0	0	1	0
Residential Burglary	1	0	1	0	0
Larceny Theft	3	1	2	0	0
Vehicle Theft	1	1	0	0	0
Arson	0	0	0	0	0
Part 1 Totals	<u>6</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>

Other Crimes					
Auto Burglary	0	0	0	0	0
Identity Theft	2	0	2	0	0
Fraud	1	1	0	0	0
Forgeries	0	0	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	0	0	0	0	0
Drugs	0	0	0	0	0
Warrant	3	0	0	3	3
Hit and Run Felony	0	0	0	0	0
Hit and Run Misdemeanor	3	2	1	0	0
Other Misdemeanor Traffic	2	0	0	2	2
Other Crime Totals	<u>11</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>5</u>

All Crime Totals	<u>17</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>5</u>
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Traffic Accidents (Non-Injury)	7
Traffic Accidents (Injury)	0

•• Chief Harman

Congratulations to Officer Chris Turner!

For the second straight year, Officer Turner was voted by his peers to be Kensington Police Department's "Officer of the Year". He will be honored at the

Richmond Elks Club on February 12th, along with the other police agencies “Officer of the Year” recipients.

Additionally, Officer Turner had indicated at the end of 2012, it was his goal for 2013 to receive a Mother’s Against Drunk Driving (MADD) award for drunk driving enforcement. Of Officers Turner’s 23 arrests for the year, he made 15 drunk driving arrests that qualified him to receive his award from MADD.

Not only is 23 arrests for the year quite an accomplishment, but 15 arrests for drunk driving is outstanding and could have possibly saved a life or prevented a serious injury.

These two honors are well deserved and we are very proud of the work and professionalism demonstrated by Officer Turner this past year.

Great job Chris!