



Taraval Station Newsletter Mini Updates



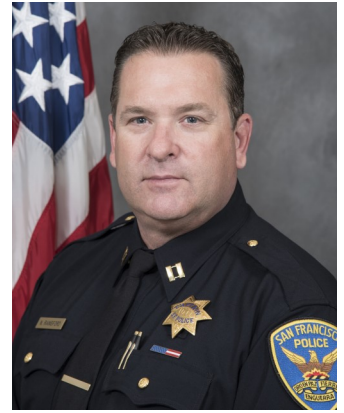
Community Members,

In this issue, you will find information on events that are happening in our district and around the city. This issue also contains the current crime statistics for robbery, burglary and auto burglary.

If you are reporting a crime in progress, dial 9-1-1. Also, call 9-1-1 to report fires, medical emergencies and any emergencies related to public safety.

To report a non-emergency incident (a crime that has already occurred and the suspects are gone) please call the SFPD non-emergency phone number at 415-553-0123 to have an Officer dispatched to meet with you.

You may also go to any SFPD district station to make a report or <https://sanfranciscopolice.org/reports>



Captain Nicholas Rainsford
Commanding Officer Taraval Station



Next Community Meeting:

Tue., Jan. 15, 2019
6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Taraval Station Community Room

Thank you for subscribing to our Newsletter.

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@SFPDTaraval

Website: <http://www.taraval.org>

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TARAVAL STATION



NEW YEAR'S EVE
SAN FRANCISCO

Text: NYESF
To: 888-777

Celebrating New Year's Eve in San Francisco? Sign up for AlertSF to receive text alerts for emergencies impacting New Year's events in the City.



The San Francisco Department of Emergency Management (SFDEM) encourages people celebrating New Year's Eve in San Francisco to text the phrase NYESF to 888-777 to receive emergency text message alerts related to New Year's Eve events in San Francisco. New Year's Eve celebrants may also visit www.sfdem.org/NYESF.

San Francisco residents, visitors, and businesses can help by remaining vigilant while enjoying New Year's Eve festivities. These simple tips will help you stay safe:

- If you see something, say something. Call 9-1-1 or talk to a police officer if you see something suspicious.
- Have a plan. It is easy to lose track of people during large events. It is even more difficult when there is an emergency. Designate a meet up spot if you get separated from your group.
- Be aware of your surroundings and take note of emergency exits.
- Have a designated driver or alternative transportation plan if you plan on drinking alcohol.
- All fireworks, including "Safe and Sane", are dangerous and illegal in San Francisco. We encourage everyone to choose safety and observe a public firework show.
- If you have a noise complaint, call the police non-emergency line at (415) 553-0123.



Whether you live in a single family home, condo, or a large apartment complex in San Francisco, there are a number of ways you can keep your residence safe and secure. Working together as a community with your neighbors and building management can significantly improve your residential safety.

7 Residential Safety Tips



- 1 **Garage:** When entering or leaving the garage, watch to ensure door shuts completely. Lock stored bikes to a sturdy rack.
- 2 **Car:** Always lock your vehicle when parked in your garage and remove all valuables. Never leave garage door opener in your vehicle when parked outside your home.
- 3 **Spare Key:** Never hide spare keys. If you need to have a spare key available, leave it with a trusted neighbor.

- 4 **Door Buzzer:** When a visitor rings your bell, confirm who it is by intercom before you grant them access. Similarly, never let strangers follow you through the front door.
- 5 **Security Cameras & Alarm Systems:** Cost effective tools for preventing crime and identifying criminals.
- 6 **Light Timers:** Installing timers on the exterior of your residence is an effective and energy efficient way to deter criminal activity.
- 7 **Doors/Windows:** Always keep doors and windows locked.

Keep property in good repair. Maintain visibility to your neighbors for increased safety.

Door and Window Safety

Doors:

- Should be made of solid wood or metal
- Have a single cylinder deadbolt lock and a 1-inch bolt
- Have a front door viewer or peep hole with a 180-degree range
- Clearly display unit number

Windows:

- Replace if glass is cracked and replace all damaged or missing locks
- Ground level windows should be burglary resistant: consider purchasing windows with reinforcement wire, laminate, or tempered glass
- Polycarbonate plastic or metal grates can be installed over existing ground level windows
- Windows above ground level are not considered secure: if used for ventilation, lock in position and keep open no more than 3 inches

SAFE



San Francisco SAFE

Empowering Communities to Create a Safer San Francisco

- Neighborhood Watch
- Community Organizing
- Security Assessments
- Safety Education





¡Estaciónate con mayor seguridad!

Si valoras tus pertenencias, no las dejes.

Solo les toma unos segundos a los ladrones para meterse a tu carro.

Estaciónate con mayor seguridad y lleva contigo tus pertenencias de valor, desde las cosas pequeñas como los celulares y las gafas de sol hasta el equipaje y las mochilas. No les des ideas a los ladrones.

精明 泊車!

閣下喜愛物品，請勿將其留於車內。汽車盜賊僅需數秒便能爆竊閣下的汽車。精明泊車並僅記帶走閣下所有的隨身貴重物品 — 小到小型物品 — 如手機及太陽鏡 — 大到更大型物品 — 如行李及背包。切勿引誘汽車盜賊。

Park Smart!

**If you love it, don't leave it.
Car thieves only need
seconds to break in and
steal your valuables.**

Magingat sa Pag-parada!

Kung mahalaga sa iyo, huwag mong iwanan.

Ilang segundo lang ang kailangan para mapasok ng magnanakaw ang iyong

sasakyan. Kaya mag-ingat sa pagparada at dalhin mo ang lahat ng

mahalagang gamit — mula sa maliit na bagay — mga cellphone o

sunglasses — hanggang sa malalaking bagay — mga bagahe at backpack.

Huwag akitin ang mga magnanakaw.



BE AWARE OF **BLESSING SCAMS**

Be aware of strangers.

Do not easily believe in what strangers say.

Keep a distance from strangers.

Do not follow strangers anywhere.

Do not let strangers touch you.

Do not withdraw money at banks with strangers.

Do not bring strangers home.

Be aware if strangers ask for money.

**Before withdrawing large sums of money/valuables,
discuss with your family first.**

If you are in doubt, stay calm and call 9-1-1 immediately!

For language assistance, state the language you speak such as
"Cantonese" or "Mandarin"



Blessing Scam Chinese Hotline: (415) 553-9212
(Voice Mail Only)





防範
祈福黨 / 金光黨

提防陌生人。

切勿輕信街上藉詞接近的人。

與陌生人保持距離。

不要隨便跟陌生人走。

不要讓陌生人觸摸。

不要帶陌生人到銀行提款。

不要帶陌生人回家。

如陌生人要錢，必須提高警惕。

決定從銀行或回家提取現金 / 金飾前，應先跟家人商量。

如有懷疑，保持鎮定，立即致電9-1-1報警。

如你需要翻譯，用英語說出你會用的語言如
“Cantonese”（廣東話）或“Mandarin”（國語）。



祈福黨 / 金光黨中文舉報熱線：415-553-9212
(只供留言用)





Previous Weeks Notable Incidents

*** Not all crimes are reported in the daily report, Address shown are the "Unit Block" where the incident took place.

Daily Crime Report :: Sun – Dec 16, 2018

Assault – Vandalism to Vehicle

10:29 am

2200 Taraval St

Officers responded to a report of an assault with vandalism. The victim stated that she and the suspect were parked in a parking lot while trying to decide what to eat when they got into an argument. During the argument, the suspect struck the victim on her right ear before also damaging the car. The suspect then left the area on foot.

Daily Crime Report :: Mon – Dec 17, 2018

Assault – vandalism

12:38 pm

300 Ashton Ave

Officers responded to a report of vandalism and assault. The witness reported that the suspect and victim, a Parking Enforcement officer, were observed yelling at each other before the suspect walked towards the victim's vehicle and struck it with his skateboard. The suspect then fled the area. The victim stated that he had been working and issuing tickets when two suspects walked up to him and wanted the victim to take back a ticket. The victim responded that he couldn't reverse the ticket. The victim reported that the first suspect raised his skateboard in an attempt to hit the victim but the second suspect stopped him.

Daily Crime Report :: Tue – Dec 18, 2018

Package theft – Possession of Stolen Property – Cited

4:15 pm

2200 22nd Ave

Officers responded to a report that a suspect was stealing packages. The witness stated that he was walking in the neighborhood when he observed the suspect walk up a staircase and grab two packages before walking back to the sidewalk. The suspect was then observed taking another package shortly afterwards. Responding officers searched the area and successfully located the suspect. A search of the area also located two opened packages nearby. After further investigation, **the suspect was cited.**

Robbery

7:25 pm

Capitol Ave & Sadowa St

Officers responded to a report of a robbery. The victim reported that she was walking when she observed a double-parked vehicle nearby. The victim stated that the suspect exited the vehicle while holding a gun and grabbed the victim's backpack while pointing the gun at her. The suspect then fled in the vehicle with the stolen backpack.



Notable Incidents (Cont.)

Daily Crime Report :: Wed – Dec 19, 2018

Possession of Burglary Tools – Theft from a Vehicle – Cited

3:33 am

Vicente St & 39th Ave

Officers responded to a report of a theft from a vehicle. The witness stated that she observed two suspects take a ladder from a parked pickup truck and walk towards a nearby supermarket with it. Responding officers located the ladder, which was leaning against a wall and detained a total of four people who were in the area. Two of the people were hiding nearby with one by the pickup truck and the second beside a trash dumpster. The third and fourth were in a vehicle, near the supermarket. A search of the vehicle revealed multiple burglary tools such as bolt cutters, a hacksaw and a pry bar. After further investigation, the **two suspects inside the vehicle were cited**. It was also determined that the two people outside by the truck and dumpster were not associated with the incident and were released.

Violation of Stay Away Order – Arrested

4:16 pm

200 Granada Ave

Officers responded to a report of an intruder attempting to enter a home. The victim stated that the suspect had attempted, on multiple occasions, to enter the home despite a stay away order. Responding officers arrived and located the suspect. After further investigation, **the suspect was arrested**.

Daily Crime Report :: Thu – Dec 20, 2018

Reckless Driving – No Driver's License Issued

7:06 pm

500 Buckingham Way

Officers were on patrol and heard a commotion of loudly screeching tires from nearby. They investigated and found that a vehicle was performing "donut" maneuvers in a parking lot at a nearby theater. The officers conducted a traffic stop and made contact with the driver, who was a 17 year old and who also admitted that he did not have a driver's license. **The driver was cited**.

Vandalism to Vehicle – Arrested

5:17 am

15th Ave & Taraval St

Officers responded to a report of vandalism incident on MUNI. The witness reported that the suspect had broken a window on the MUNI. The suspect admitted that he had gotten angry and had hit the window with his elbow. After further investigation, **the suspect was arrested**.

Daily Crime Report :: Fri – Dec 21, 2018

No notable incidents.



Notable Incidents (Cont.)

Daily Crime Report :: Sat – Dec 22, 2018

Brandishing a Weapon

4:19 pm

1100 Junipero Serra Blvd

Officers responded to a report of a weapon being brandished. The victim reported that he had been driving and was involved in a road rage incident with the suspect who was driving a separate vehicle. The suspect, while driving, then pointed a gun at the victim. The victim slowed his vehicle down until he lost sight of the suspect. However, the victim was then involved in an unrelated accident shortly after and exited the freeway to exchange information with the other driver. During that time, the suspect located the victim and resumed their argument. The victim instructed someone to call the police for him which caused the suspect to flee in his vehicle.

Violation of Restraining Order

1:43 pm

1200 Wawona St

Officers responded to a report of a known suspect who was violating a court order. Responding officers arrived at the location and observed the suspect holding a large tree branch, despite a current court order prohibiting the action. After further investigation, the suspect was arrested.

See More

Daily Crime Reports

Do you want to know what happens daily in the District?

Read more at <http://www.taraval.org/?cat=14>

Note: Not all crimes are reported

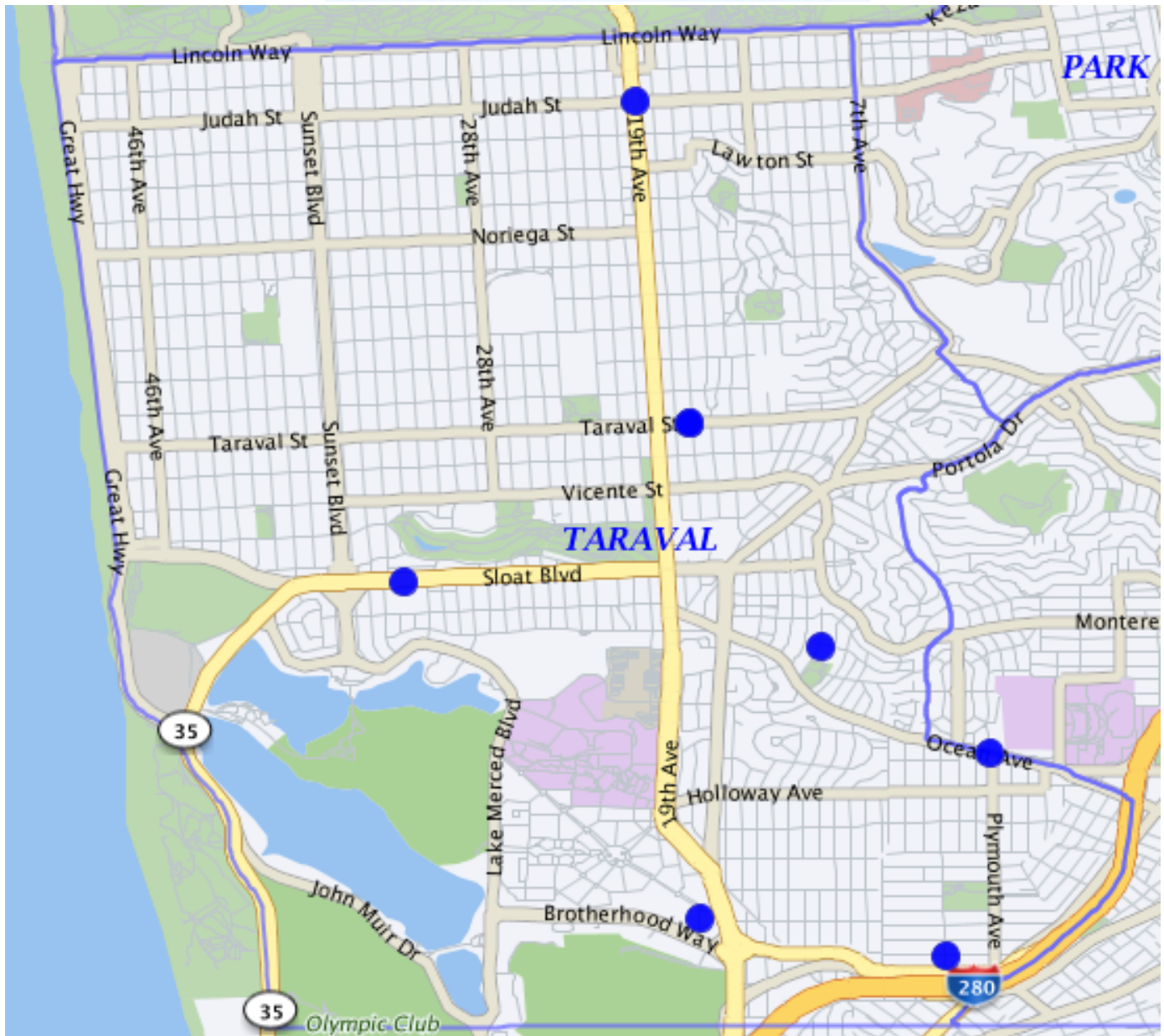


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Robbery 12/01/18 – 12/27/18

ROBBERY	Firearm	2
	Knife or Cutting Instrument	0
	Other Dangerous Weapon	0
	Strongarm (no weapon)	6
		8



If the dots does not add up to the number, there may be multiple incidents with the same address.

*Note: The map accurately reflects the information available at the time of preparation. Numbers may or may not change as more information becomes available.

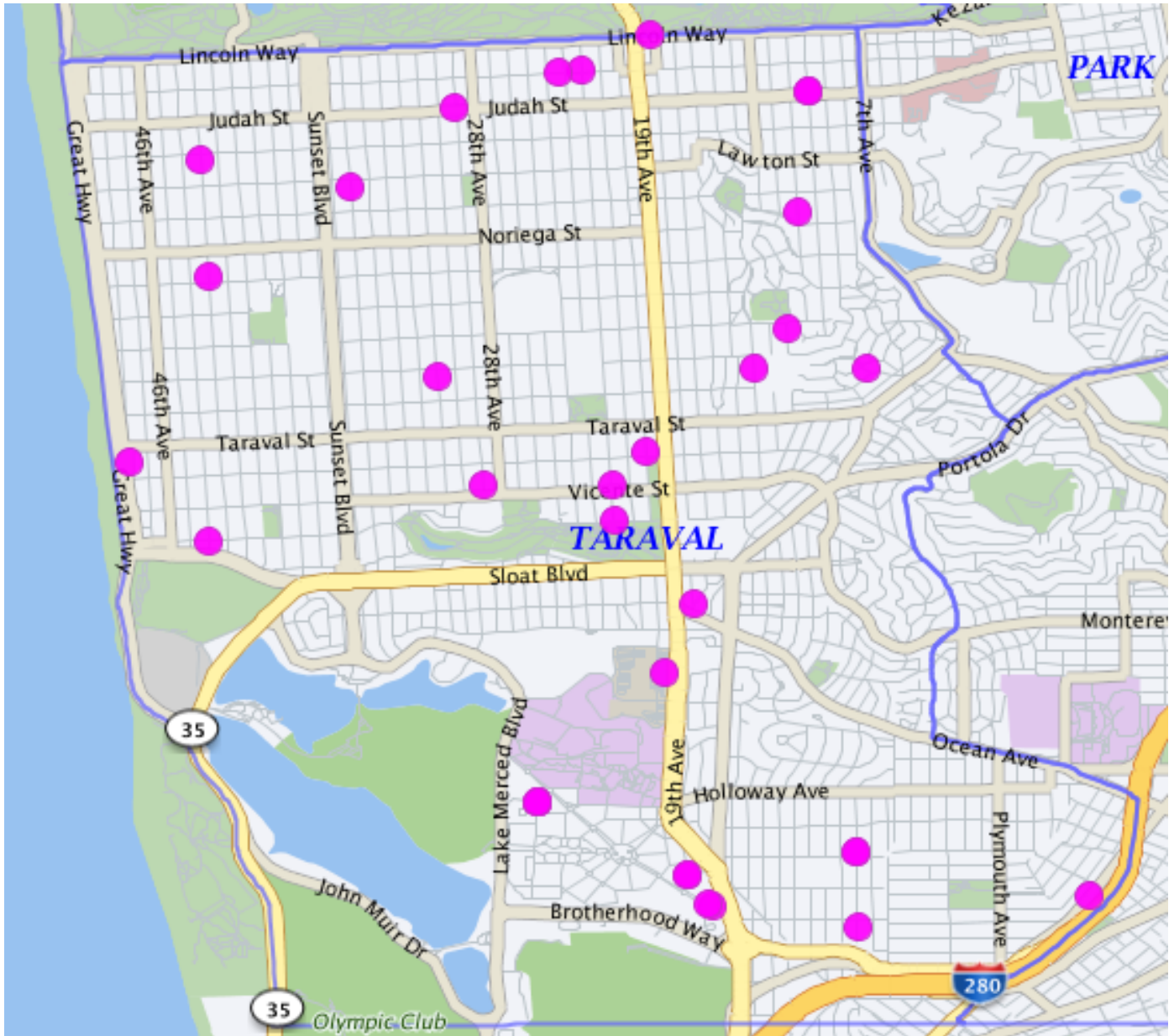


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Burglary 12/01/18 – 12/27/18

BURGLARY	Attempted Forcible Entry	1
	Forcible Entry	14
	Unlawful Entry - No force	19
		34



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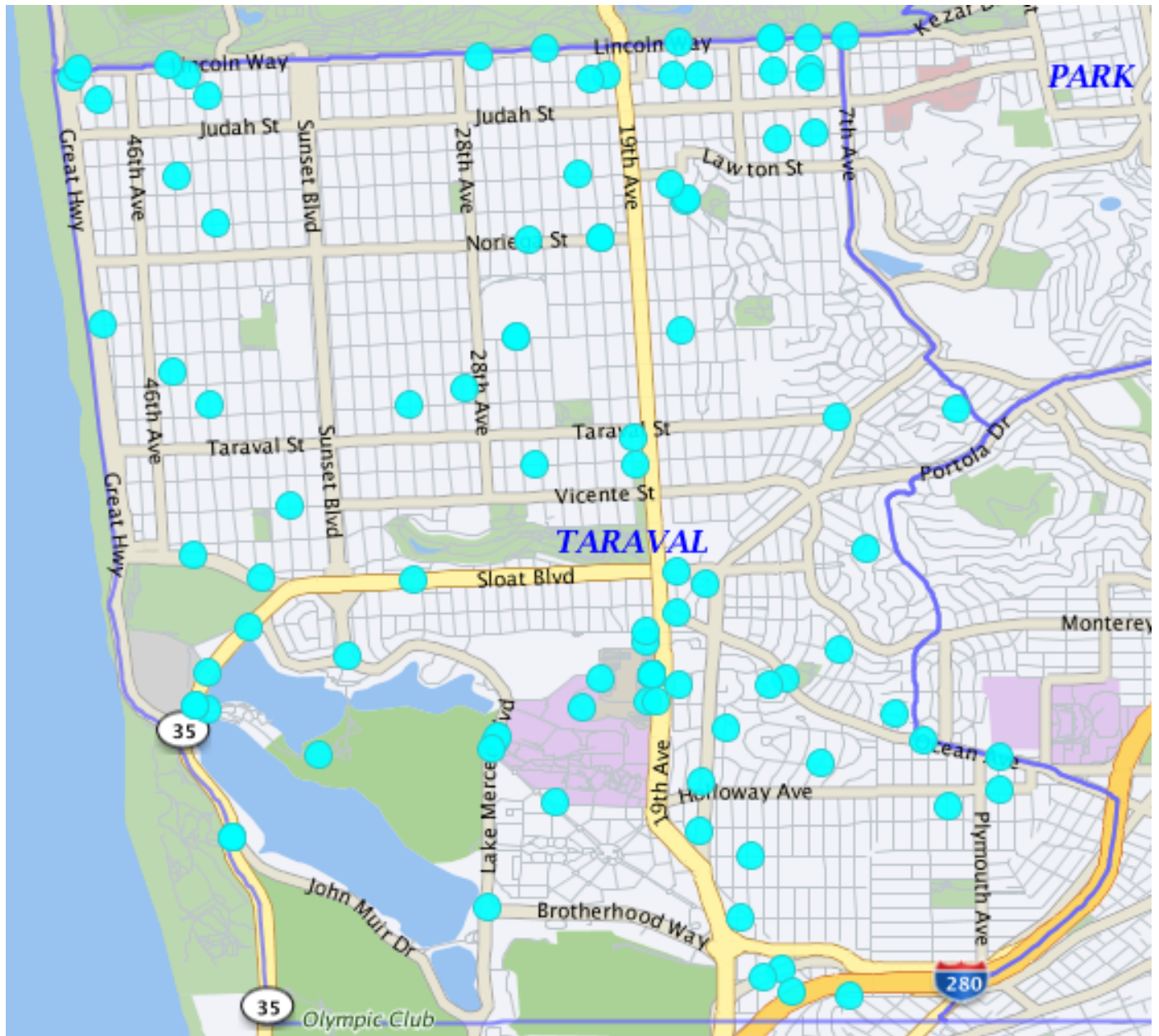


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Auto Burglaries 12/01/18 – 12/27/18

LARCENY THEFT	Auto Burglaries	116
		116



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Beware of Scams

Fake Check Scams

Consumers paid with phony checks for work or for items they're trying to sell, instructed to wire money back to buyer

Prizes/Sweepstakes/Free Gifts

Requests for payment to claim fictitious prizes, lottery winnings, or gifts

Recovery/Refund Companies

Scammers contact victims and claim the consumer owes money on a fictitious debt or to help recover money lost in a previous scam

Advance Fee Loans, Credit Arrangers

False promises of business or personal loans, even if credit is bad, for a fee upfront

Phishing/Spoofing

Emails pretending to be from a well-known source ask consumers to enter or confirm personal information

Computers: Equipment and Software

Scammers claim to offer "technical support" for computer problems and charge a fee to fix a nonexistent problem

Scholarships/Grants

For a fee, a "search company" offers to conduct customized search for scholarships or grants for students. Scammers take money and run or provide a worthless list

Friendship & Sweetheart Swindles

Con artist nurtures an online relationship, builds trust, and convinces victim to send money

Charitable Solicitations

Scammers contact victims claiming to represent non-existent charities (or real charities they don't actually work for) and ask for donations.



Definition of Suspicious Activity

Suspicious activity is any observed behavior that could indicate a crime-related incident has been committed, or about to be committed. Unusual items or situations: A vehicle is parked in an odd location, a package/luggage is unattended, a window/door is open that is usually closed, or other out-of-the-ordinary situations occur.

Examples of Suspicious Activity:

- An individual peering into vehicles, to try, and locate any valuables left unattended.
- An individual trying door handles to vehicles, and/or residences to gain access to the vehicle and/ or residence.
- An individual checking front doors of residences to locate any unattended packages or individuals following delivery trucks to see where the truck is dropping off packages.
- Please dial 911 to report crimes in progress, suspicious activity or for life threatening emergencies. If it is not an emergency, dial (415) 553-0123.



**See something.
Say something.**



Definition of Community Policing

Community policing, or community-oriented policing, is a strategy of policing that focuses on police building ties and working closely with members of the communities.

Homeless Outreach and Outreach to Drug Users:

Taraval Station has two officers that coordinate with city agencies to provide outreach and assistance to rehabilitate those who are dependent on illegal drugs and outreach to homeless individuals to connect them with resources and support.

Foot Patrols:

Taraval Station has 3 foot beat locations. These officers are assigned to Irving St, West Portal Ave and Ocean Ave.

Monthly Police Community Relations Meetings:

Community Meetings are going to be held continuously. Officers and sergeants also attend meetings with merchants groups, business groups, development authorities and others. Concerns are voiced and addressed through problem solving. These meeting will be on the third Tuesday of each month.

Email Updates:

Taraval Station will send out newsletter updates to residents in the District that alerts residents of crime trends, upcoming community events, crime prevention tips, and information on how to contact officers at the District Station.



Make the Right Call SF

Make the right call. Keep 9-1-1 available for emergencies.

9-1-1

Police, Fire & Medical

Available 24/7

Is there a danger to life, property or the environment?

Is there a crime in progress?

Is someone having a medical emergency and needs immediate assistance?

Is there a fire?

If you answered YES to any of these questions, immediately call 9-1-1.

3-1-1

City Services & Information

Available 24/7

Police reports for crimes not in progress such as:

-Auto Burglaries

-Petty Theft

-Vandalism

Report graffiti, potholes, abandoned vehicles, or blocked driveways.

Garbage and recycling services

Street and park maintenance

Property Tax Payments

Birth Certificates

Marriage Licenses

Business Registration

415-553-0123

Police Non-Emergency Assistance

Available 24/7

Noise complaints

Loitering

Citizen standby

MAKE THE RIGHT CALL		KEEP 9-1-1 AVAILABLE FOR EMERGENCIES	
9-1-1 POLICE, FIRE & MEDICAL AVAILABLE 24/7	3-1-1 CITY SERVICES & INFORMATION AVAILABLE 24/7	415-553-0123 POLICE NON-EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE 24/7	
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		 MAKETHERIGHTCALLSF.ORG	



Join The S.F.P.D. – San Francisco's Finest

The San Francisco Police Department welcomes dedicated men and women to join us in serving our City. I encourage you to apply to become one of San Francisco's finest.

The City and County of San Francisco invites you to join a highly respected police department and serve the citizens of one of the most beautiful cities in the country. San Francisco Police Officers perform a wide variety of duties to promote public safety and security, prevent crime and enforce the law. Police officers perform a number of essential functions. For example, they patrol districts to prevent and detect crime; respond to calls for assistance; conduct criminal investigations; interact with the community to build cooperation and support; pursue and arrest suspects; enforce traffic and parking laws; write reports and maintain records; work with superiors, peers, and others as a team; prepare for and participate in planned events; prepare for court and give testimony; and fulfill other administrative duties when required. This is much more than a job; it is an opportunity to build a career of which you can be proud.

Applying is Easy!

1. Apply with the City and County of San Francisco at (Entry Level (Q-2) Police Officer) Go to www.nationaltestingnetwork.com, choose law enforcement, and register to take the San Francisco exam (\$45). Financial assistance is available.
2. Choose an available exam date that's convenient for you.
3. Schedule your exam.

Have Questions? Contact the San Francisco Police Department Recruitment Unit

1245 3rd Street, 5th Floor, San Francisco, CA 94158
Phone: 415-837-7245
Fax: 415-575-6095

 joinsfpd@sfgov.org  twitter.com/SFPDRecruitment  facebook.com/SFPDRecruitment

The San Francisco Police Department values diversity in its workforce, and is committed to fair and equal treatment of all applicants for employment. Discrimination on the basis of sex, race, religion, color, national origin, ancestry, disability, medical condition, marital status, sexual orientation, or other protected categories is prohibited and unlawful.



YOUR FEEDBACK
will help US serve YOU better!

sanfranciscopolice.org/feedback

The SFPD wants to hear from YOU.

We are committed to excellence in law enforcement and are dedicated to the people, traditions and diversity of our City. Our mission is to provide service with understanding, response with compassion, performance with integrity and law enforcement with vision.

We welcome your comments. Let us know how we're doing, what we could be doing better and your thoughts on how your police department can work more closely with the community we proudly serve.

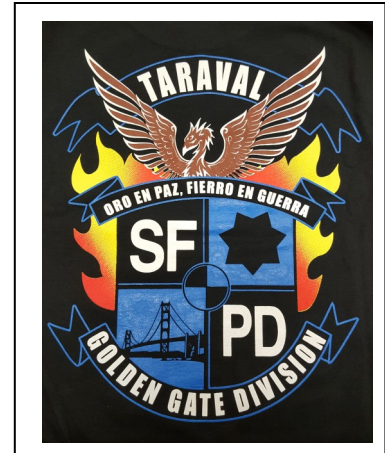
Visit us at sanfranciscopolice.org/feedback. Your feedback will help SFPD better serve our City. Comments will be reviewed by our Community Engagement Unit and forwarded to the relevant unit, department office or neighborhood station for review and follow up, if appropriate.

(If this is an emergency, please call 911. For non-emergencies, call 415-553-0123. You may also visit <http://sanfranciscopolice.org/police-commendation-complaint> for more information on providing input on SFPD policies and practices.)



SFPD RESOURCES

EMERGENCY: 911
Non-Emergency: 553-0123
Cell Phone 911: 911 / 553-8090
Customer Service Center: 311
SFPD Tip Line: 566-0115
Anonymous Tip-Line 575-4444
Chinese Tip Line: 315-2435
Text a Tip: 847411 (Tip 411)
Blessing Scam Hotline: 553-9219
Graffiti Abatement: 850-6951



TARAVAL STATION RESOURCES

Taraval Station: 759-3100
Captain Nicholas Rainsford: 759-3100 - nicholas.rainsford@sfgov.org
Patrol Lieutenants: 759-3100
Taraval Administration & Community Sgt.: 759-3120 – Sgt. Lynn Pomatto
Taraval Permits/ Code Abatement: 759-3123 – Officer Matt Faliano
Neighborhood Deputy District Attorney: 553-1868 - Maggie Buitrago
Website: www.taraval.org / Taraval Station E-mail: SFPDTaravalStation@sfgov.org
To Reserve Our Community Room: taravalcommunityroom@sfgov.org

OTHER RESOURCES

Dept. of Parking & Traffic: 553-1943
DPW Dispatch 695-2020
S.A.F.E. 553-1984

ALL EMERGENCY CALLS: 911

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