



# **Taraval Station Newsletter**



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Dear residents and community members,

The department's primary goal will always be violent crime. I am pleased to report that robberies are down 25%, from December to January and February is still trending down. Aggravated assaults are down 33% from December to January and February is trending down.

In regards to property crimes, auto burglaries are down 7% from December to January and February is trending down significantly. Residential burglaries are up 6% from December to January as we are seeing a new trend. Daytime hot prowl burglaries are down, but there has been an increase in late night garage burglaries. Suspects are reaching through garage door vents and are pulling on the mechanisms to release the door. Suspects are also opening automated garage doors with electronic devices. Neither of the above methods are new. If you have not already done so, please consider having SF SAFE, or a security professional conduct an evaluation of your residence.

On another note, I am pleased to announce that additional personnel will be added to the Taraval Neighborhood Team (TNT). TNT will continue to focus on mitigating violent crime and property crimes, including residential and auto burglaries.



Captain Robert Yick Commanding Officer Taraval Station



### Next Community Meeting:

Tue., March 20, 2017 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm Taraval Station Community Room

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**Twitter:** @SFPDTaraval

Website: http://www.taraval.org

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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.







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.

- <u>Homeless Outreach and Outreach to Drug Users</u>: 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.
- <u>Foot Patrols</u>: Taraval Station has 3 foot beat locations. These officers are assigned to Irving St, West Portal Ave and Ocean Ave.
- <u>Monthly Police Community Relations Meetings</u>: 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.
- <u>Email Updates</u>: 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.





### **Definition of Crimes**

**<u>Robbery</u>** – Robbery is the taking of property from another by using force or by using fear.

<u>Assault</u> – An assault is an unlawful attempt, couple with the present ability, to commit a violent injury on another person.

Battery – (Misdemeanor Battery) is any willful and unlawful touching of another.

(Felony Battery) is the use of force or violence up the person of another that causes serious bodily injuries.

\*Assault is when a person swings their arm at a person and battery is when that arm makes contact with the person.

<u>Aggravated Assault</u>- Assault upon another person with a deadly weapon or instrument other than a firearm or by any means of force likely to produce great bodily injury.

**<u>Burglary</u>** – The intent to enter a property to commit a grand theft, petty, theft or any felony.

<u>Grand Theft</u> – Grand theft is theft committed when the value of the money, labor, or property taken that exceeds \$950.

**<u>Petty Theft</u>** – Theft where the value of the property taken is less than \$950.

### **Traffic Violations**

<u>22450(a) CVC</u> The driver of any vehicle approaching a stop sign at the entrance to, or within, an intersection **shall stop** at a limit line, if marked, otherwise before entering the crosswalk on the near side of the intersection.

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**22350 CVC** No person shall drive a vehicle upon a highway at a speed greater than is reasonable or prudent having due regard for weather, visibility, the **traffic** on, and the surface and width of, the highway, and in no event at a speed which endangers the safety of persons or property.

<u>21950(a)</u> CVC The driver of a vehicle shall **yield** the right-of-way to a **pedestrian** crossing the roadway within any marked crosswalk or within any unmarked crosswalk at an intersection, except as otherwise provided in this chapter.

**<u>21801(a)</u> CVC** The driver of a vehicle intending to turn to the left or to complete a U-turn upon a highway, or to turn left into public or private property, or an alley, shall yield the right-of-way to all vehicles approaching from the opposite direction which are close enough to constitute a hazard at any time during the turning movement, and shall continue to yield the right-of-way to the approaching vehicles until the left turn or U-turn can be made with reasonable safety.





Crime Note

### SFPD Arrest Serial Department Store Burglar Suspected in Theft of Nearly \$250,000 in Jewelry

On January 23rd and February 11th of this year, San Francisco police officers responded to a department store in the Stonestown Mall located in the Taraval Police district regarding burglaries that occurred after hours. The losses in these incidents were \$3,000 in cash and over \$80,000 in fine jewelry. The department store surveillance cameras captured the suspect as he committed the crimes.

On February 16, 2018 at approximately 10:00 pm, the suspect committed a third burglary at the same store. Employees were present in the store and immediately contacted the police. Police responded to the scene and set up a perimeter. Officers captured the suspect as he was attempting to flee the building and recovered over \$150,000 worth of fine jewelry that the suspect had just stolen from the store.

Further investigation by the San Francisco Police Department's Burglary Detail linked the suspect to the earlier burglaries. The suspect was charged for all three burglary cases.

Toby Kessler, a 32 year old, transient, was booked into San Francisco County Jail on charges of burglary, grand theft, possession of burglary tools and possession of stolen property. His booking photo accompanies this news release.

While an arrest has been made, this remains an open and active investigation. Anyone with information is asked to contact the SFPD Tip Line at (415) 575-4444 or text a Tip to TIP411 and begin the text message with SFPD. You may remain anonymous.







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### Daily Crime Report :: Sun – Feb 18, 2018

\*\*\* Not all crimes are reported in the daily report \*\*\* Date of reported incident are not always the same as date of occurrence \*\*\* Here's the link to the RSS feed for the Daily Crime Reports: <u>http://www.taraval.org/?cat=14&feed=rss2</u>

Traffic Violation - Suspended Driver's License - Cited

#### <u>12:32 pm</u>

#### Taraval St & 35th Ave

Officers were on patrol and observed a vehicle with an expired registration. The officers conducted a traffic stop and a computer check on the driver revealed that his license had been suspended. The driver was cited.

#### Theft of Property - Sex Offender Failing to register - Arrested

#### <u>5:17 pm</u>

#### 2200 Cecilia Ave

Officers responded to a report of a confused person who was looking into multiple vehicles while swearing. The officers located the suspect and a computer check revealed that he was a sex registrant who was not in compliance. A search of the subject also revealed blank checks that had been reported stolen a few days prior. After further investigation, the suspect was arrested.

#### Trespassing - Cited

7:48 am

#### 1000 Judah St

Officers responded to a report of a trespasser. The victim stated that he observed the suspect climbing the fire escape to reach the victim's roof. Responding officers located the suspect. The suspect, who was compliant, stated that he wanted to be closer to the sun. The suspect was cited.

#### **Domestic Violence**

Five incidents of domestic violence; three suspects from three different incidents were arrested.

#### Burglary

Reported 2:37 pm / 400 Ralston St / forced entry Reported 4:07 pm / 300 Chester Ave / forced entry

#### Theft

Reported 2:10 pm / 2300 Cecilia Ave / package theft Reported 2:36 pm / 37th Ave & Vicente St / jewelry taken from person Reported 10:39 am / West Portal Ave & Sloat Blvd / cell phone snatched from hand Reported 3:35 pm / 1200 25th Ave / bicycle stolen from garage Reported 3:47 pm / 2001 37th Ave / laptop stolen on school property – suspect cited

#### Theft from Vehicles

Reported 8:37 pm / 00 Serrano Dr Reported 6:00 pm / 3200 20th Ave Reported 12:00 am / Portola Dr & Claremont Blvd Reported 1:40 am / 500 John Muir Dr

<u>Stolen Vehicle</u> Reported 5:03 pm / 2000 Quintara St / 2012 Honda Civic

Daily Crime Report :: Mon – Feb 19, 2018

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<u>Robbery with Force</u> <u>9:46 pm</u> Holloway Ave & Byxbee St



Officers responded to a report of a robbery. The victim reported that she had been walking home when two suspect approached her from behind. One suspect grabbed her by her waist while the other rummaged through her pockets and took her cell phone. The victim screamed and the suspects fled the area.

#### Traffic Violation - Suspended Driver's License - Cited

#### <u>2:31 pm</u>

#### Taraval St & Sunset Blvd

Officers were on patrol and observed a vehicle that did not display a proper license plate. The officers conducted a traffic stop and a computer check on the driver revealed that his license had been suspended. The driver was cited.

#### Warrant Arrest - Under the Influence of Alcohol in Public - Arrested

#### <u>10:54 am</u> 2300 Noriega St

Officers responded to Safeway and located the subject, who was passed out inside the store's restroom with a half eaten container of food and a strong smell of alcohol emitting from his person. Officers conducted a computer check on the subject which revealed two arrest warrants out of San Francisco and one arrest warrant out of the county. The subject was arrested.

#### Burglary

Reported 4:03 pm / 1500 23rd Ave / unlawful entry Reported 10:26 am / 100 Lomia Ave / unlawful entry

#### Theft

Reported 3:41 pm / 2300 Noriega St / shoplifting Reported 7:01 pm / 1600 Ocean Ave / shoplifting Reported 10:23 pm / 2200 Taraval St / shoplifting Reported 8:50 am / 500 Gonzalez Dr / vehicle striping Reported 7:45 pm / 3200 20th Ave / shoplifting

#### Vandalism to Property

Reported 7:30 pm / 400 Ralston St / vandalism to vehicle

#### Fraud

Reported 12:02 pm / 3000 San Jose Ave / embezzlement Reported 3:44 pm / Ortega St / ponzi schemes

#### Theft from Vehicles

Reported 12:15 pm / Ocean Ave & Dorado Terrace Reported 6:00 pm / 3200 20th Ave Reported 10:16 am / 2500 39th Ave Reported 12:15 pm / 1300 8th Ave

#### Stolen Vehicle

Reported 6:07 pm / 200 Brighton Ave / gray 2010 Ford Fusion

#### Traffic Collision

Reported 4:15 pm / Great Hwy & Moraga St / Vehicle vs Pedestrian – hit & run Reported 8:00 am / 1800 23rd Ave / Vehicle vs Vehicle – hit & run Reported 10:15 am / 2200 24th Ave / Vehicle vs Vehicle – hit & run Reported 8:41 am / Serrano Dr & Arellano Ave /Vehicle vs Pedestrian

#### Daily Crime Report :: Tue – Feb 20, 2018

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#### Sunset Blvd & Ocean Ave

Officers were conducting speed enforcement, using LIDAR, on Sunset Ave and observed a vehicle traveling approximately 43 MPH in a 30 MPH zone. The officers conducted a traffic stop and a computer check on the driver revealed that he did not have a valid license. The driver was cited.

#### Assault - Animal Cruelty - Arrested

<u>5:43 pm</u>

#### 2000 24th Ave

Officers responded to a report of an assault. The victim reported that they were driving when the suspect, in another vehicle, opened the driver's side door and two small dogs, on a leash and harness, ran out of the vehicle. The victim was unable to stop her car in time and struck one of the dogs. The victim stopped her vehicle and the suspect ran up to the victim while yelling and screaming at her. The victim attempted to call the police but the suspect punched the victim approximately 10 times before pinning the victim against the vehicle door and slammed it against her multiple times. The suspect then picked up the unhurt dog and swung the dog, from left to right, and hitting the victim with it. The suspect denied hitting the victim. After further investigation, the suspect was arrested.

#### **Burglary**

Reported 6:15 pm / 1600 19th Ave / unlawful entry

#### Theft

Reported 4:00 pm / 300 Serrano Dr / package theft Reported 9:55 pm / 1500 Sloat Blvd / stolen item that was left behind

#### Vandalism to Property

Reported 4:42 pm / 500 Ortega St / breaking windows Reported 12:00 am / 1500 39th Ave / vandalism to vehicle

#### Theft from Vehicles

Reported / 9:02 pm / 400 Dewey Blvd Reported 11:10 am / Cardenas Ave & Holloway Ave Reported 2:28 pm / 200 Thrift St Reported 1:00 pm / Wawona St & 46th Ave

#### Traffic Collision

Reported 5:30 am / 2200 17th Ave / Vehicle vs Vehicle – Hit & Run Reported 12:15 pm / 100 Eucalyptus Dr / Vehicle vs Vehicle – Hit & Run Reported 5:15 pm / Lincoln Way & 25th Ave / Vehicle vs Vehicle – Hit & Run Reported 1:35 pm / 47th Ave & Rivera St / Vehicle vs Vehicle

#### Crime Report :: Wed - Feb 21, 2018

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#### Assault

<u>12:06 pm</u>

#### 200 Winston Ave

Officers responded to a report of an assault. The witnesses stated that they had observed the suspect, a known shoplifter, walk into the store. As the witnesses were watching the suspect, the suspect noticed them and immediately walked back out of the store. As the suspect neared one of the victims, the suspect bumped into the victim on purpose and swung a bag of glass bottles against the victim's head and causing injuries to the victim. The victim then fled the store.

#### Domestic Violence

One incident of domestic violence; the suspect was arrested.

#### **Burglary**

Reported 9:24 am / 2100 24th Ave / unlawful entry on to school grounds Reported 1:17 pm / 3900 Pacheco St / unlawful entry Reported 10:23 pm / 8300 Ocean View Ter / unlawful entry



#### Theft

Reported 9:46 pm / 1500 Sloat Blvd / shoplifting Reported 9:26 pm / 200 Winston Ave / shoplifting with force

#### Theft from Vehicles

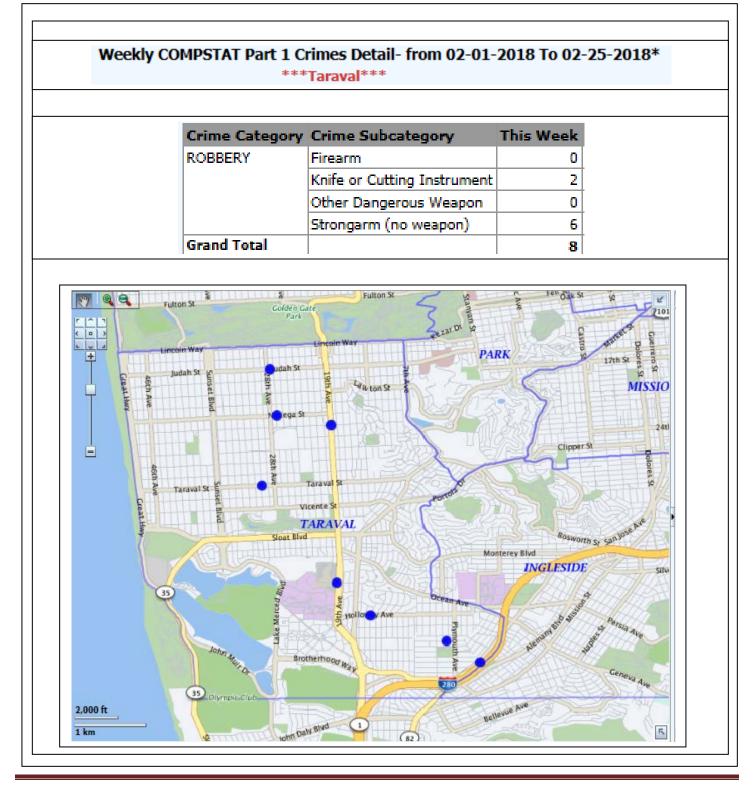
Reported 1:20 pm / 3200 20th Ave Reported 8:52 pm / 300 Ulloa St Reported 6:10 pm / West Portal Ave & Vicente St Reported 8:30 pm / 2400 17th Ave Reported 6:45 pm / Serrano Dr & Cardenas Ave

#### Stolen Vehicle

Reported 4:56 pm / 700 Taraval St / gray 2012 Acura TL

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





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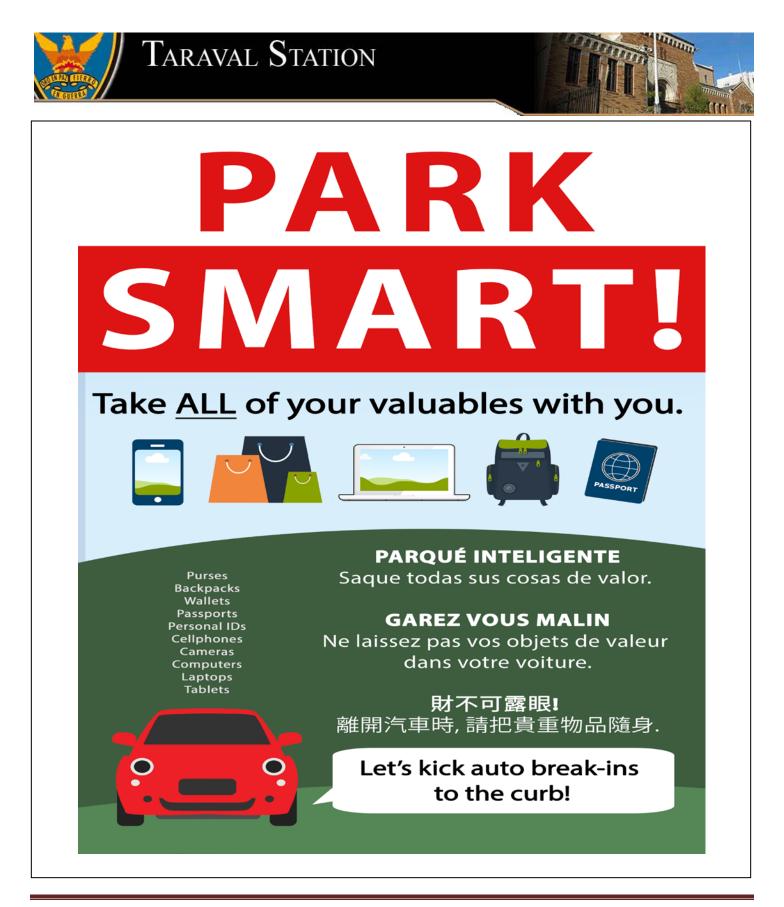


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### AlertSF Notification System 24/7 emergency information to your wireless device

# AlertSF

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AlertSF is a text-based notification system for San Francisco's residents and visitors. AlertSF will send alerts regarding emergencies disrupting vehicular/pedestrian traffic, watches and warnings for tsunamis, flooding, and Citywide post-disaster information to your registered wireless devices and email accounts. Registrants can also sign up to receive English-language automated information feeds and/or alerts targeted to specific areas of the City.

To sign up for AlertSF please visit: <a href="http://www.alertsf.org">www.alertsf.org</a>

# **Twitter: @SF\_Emergency**

@SF\_Emergency is the Department of Emergency Management's official Twitter account for emergency public information. In general we provide information on 1) what to do (e.g., avoid the area); and 2) what geographic area is impacted; and 3) whether the incident is related law enforcement, fire, transit, or traffic.

Follow us at @SF Emergency





FRANCISC POLICE Auxiliary Law Enforcement Response Team

### (ALERT)



Are you someone who is interested in disaster preparedness and wants to help out your community while working hand in hand with Law Enforcement? If so, then the ALERT program is for you!

### What is the ALERT Program?

The San Francisco Police Department Auxiliary Law Enforcement Response Team (ALERT) is a volunteer citizen disaster preparedness program. The ALERT program trains members of the public to assist Law Enforcement in essential tasks after a major disaster, and in other identified non-disaster activities. Such tasks may include: traffic control, foot patrols of business and residential areas, reporting criminal activity etc. Volunteers must be at least 16 years of age and must live, work, or attend school in San Francisco.

The ALERT program is modeled after, and works in partnership with, the San Francisco Fire Department Neighborhood Emergency Response Team (NERT) program.

### Three Ways To Become An ALERT volunteer:

After clearing a basic background check you will be eligible to register for one of our triannual ALERT training classes as follows:

- 1. Complete two 8 hour classes with ALERT, or,
- 2. If you are already NERT Certified, complete one 8 hour class with ALERT, or,
- 3. If you are an SFPD Community Police Academy graduate, complete one 8 hour class with ALERT.

 San Francisco Police Department ALERT Program

 Community Engagement Division

 Commander David Lazar, Commanding

 Mark Hernandez, Program Coordinator

 Phone: 415-558-5545

 E-mail: sfpdalert@sfgov.org

 Web: www.sf-police.org/alert

 Facebook: www.facebook.com/sfpdalert



# 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
- Wellness checks







# **Register Your Camera**

The San Francisco District Attorney's Office invites you to register your security camera. The goal of the program is to deter crime and promote public safety through collaboration between the San Francisco District Attorney's Office and the communities we serve. Please complete and submit all fields below, and carefully review the Policy & Terms of Use.

> To register your camera, visit http://sfdistrictattorney.org/Register-Your-Camera





#### 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)
- 2. Go to www.nationaltestingnetwork.com, choose law enforcement, and register to take the San Francisco exam (\$45). Financial assistance is available.
- 3. Choose an available exam date that's convenient for you.
- 4. Schedule your exam.
- 5. You will receive an email confirming your exam date, time and location.

### 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

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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.





### The SFPD wants to hear from YOU.

TARAVAL STATION

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.

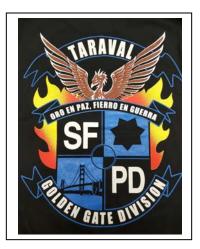
Visit us at <u>sanfranciscopolice.org/feedback</u>. Your feedback will help SFPD better serve our City. Comments will be reviewed by our Community Engagement Unit and forwarded to the relevant unit, department office or neighborhood station for review and follow up, if appropriate.

(If this is an emergency, please call 911. For non-emergencies, call 415-553-0123. You may also visit <u>http://sanfranciscopolice.org/police-commendation-complaint</u> 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 Robert Yick: 759-3100 - robert.yick@sfgov.org Patrol Lieutenants: 759-3100 Taraval Administration & Community Sgt.: 759-3100 – 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

### **OTHER RESOURCES**

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

# **ALL EMERGENCY CALLS: 911**

We, the members of the San Francisco Police Department, are committed to excellence in law enforcement and are dedicated to the people, traditions and diversity of our City. In order to protect life and property, prevent crime and reduce the fear of crime, we will provide service with understanding, response with compassion, performance with integrity and law enforcement with vision.