Taraval Station Newsletter Mini Updates



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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 go to https://sanfranciscopolice.org/reportS



Captain Nicholas Rainsford

Commanding Officer

Taraval Station



Next Community Meeting:

Tue., Feb. 19, 2019 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Taraval Station Community

Room

Thank you for subscribing to our Newsletter.

Please follow us on:

Twitter:

@SFPDTaraval

Website: http://www.taraval.org

January 2019

On 1/24/19, Captain Rainsford, Supervisor Mar along with Irving St Merchants Association Bill Barnickel and Benny Yee conducted a safety walk along Irving St proving safety materials on phone scams, blessing scams and safety. Thanks to SF Safe for providing the safety materials.







Protect Yourself from Phone Scammers!

WATCH OUT! Phone scammers are calling residents, pretending to be the Chinese Consulate & soliciting personal information and payment.



NEVER give your personal information, such as credit card information or social security number over the phone.



Chinese Consulate NEVER call about picking up package or paying a fine.



The only way we can stop these criminals is if you report it. You weren't their first victim and you won't be their last!



San Francisco Police Department

Non-Emergency: (415) 553-0123

Emergency: 9-1-1



If you are in doubt, stay calm and call the police!





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"

SAFE

SAFETY

AWARENESS
FOR

EVERYONE

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



Beware of Home Burglaries

Visit https://sfsafe.org for safety materials and services.



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



- 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.
- Spare Key: Never hide spare keys. If you need to have a spare key available, leave it with a trusted neighbor.
- Ooor 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.
- Security Cameras & Alarm Systems: Cost effective tools for preventing crime and identifying criminals.
- Cight Timers: Installing timers on the exterior of your residence is an effective and energy efficient way to deter criminal activity.
- 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



San Francisco SAFE

Empowering Communities to Create a Safer San Francisco

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



Taraval Station wants to congratulate Papenhausen Hardware on their grand reopening. Welcome back to the neighborhood. We are looking forward to working with them in make our community even better.









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 – Jan 13, 2019

No notable incidents. Go to http://www.taraval.org/?p=1450 to see more on that days.

Daily Crime Report :: Mon – Jan 14, 2019

Robbery with Force- Arrested

3:41 pm

19th Ave & Winston Dr

Officers responded to a report of a robbery. The victim stated that she was looking at an app on her phone while holding it with both hands when a suspect suddenly grabbed her phone away from her and fled. The victim attempted to follow the suspect but was pushed from behind. Responding officers located and detained subjects who matched the victim's description of the suspects. The victim confirmed that the subjects where the suspects who stole her phone and who pushed her down. After further investigation, the suspects were arrested.

Daily Crime Report :: Tue – Jan 15, 2019

Battery 12:34 am

2200 32nd Ave

Officers responded to an incident of battery. The victim stated that the suspect, his roommate, had come home and knocked on the door to get inside. The victim answered the door and questioned the suspect about the location of his keys before saying that he was going back to bed. The suspect followed the victim to his room and demanded that the victim open the room door. When the victim opened the door, the suspect pushed him and knocked him on to the ground before the suspect left the house.

<u>Trespassing – Resisting or Delaying Officers – Cited</u>

5:55 pm

300 Eucalyptus Dr

Officers responded to a report of a trespasser inside a gym. The witness reported that numerous gym members had reported that an intoxicated suspect was drinking alcohol while working out at the gym and causing a disturbance. The suspect was asked to leave by the witness but the suspect refused. Responding officers arrived at the location and also requested that the suspect leave but the suspect refused again. The officers handcuffed the suspect, despite the suspect resisting. Once arrested, the suspect was transported to Taraval Station because he refused to sign the citation. Once at the station, the suspect accepted the citation and signed it. The suspect was then released.

Battery - Warrant Arrest - Arrested

3:27 pm

20th Ave & Winston Ave

Officers responded to a report of a battery. The victim reported that she was walking in the crosswalk when she passed by the suspect, who suddenly slapped her on the back of her head. A witness stated that the suspect had caused a disturbance inside a nearby store and was asked to leave. The witness followed the suspect out of the store and observed the suspect yelling at random people and slap the victim. Responding officers located the suspect and a computer check revealed a warrant for his arrest. The suspect was arrested.

Notable Incidents (Cont.)

Robbery of a Residence

12:09 am

200 Sagamore

Officers responded to a report of a home robbery. The victim reported that he had been asleep when he was awoken by a lout sound. The victim went to investigate and was confronted by two suspect, one who pointed a gun at the victim. The suspect forced the victim upstairs and ransacked several rooms before exiting the house and fleeing.

Burglary - Arrested

100 Cambon Dr

The Taraval Investigation Team investigated and identified the suspect in a recent burglary incident. The suspect had also just been arrested on a separate incident and the officers added the additional charges to the suspect's record.

Daily Crime Report :: Wed – Jan 16, 2019

Warrant Arrest - Arrested

12:57 pm

1100 Ocean Ave

Officers responded to a report of a trespasser at a housing complex. The witness stated that the suspect, a known person, had entered the complex and was trespassing. Responding officers confirmed the warrant and detained the suspect after a search. The suspect was arrested.

Shooting into a vehicle

2:20 pm

Sagamore St & San Jose Ave

Officers responded to a report of multiple gun shots in the area. The victim stated that he had been stopped at a stoplight in his vehicle when the suspect's vehicle approached him. The victim heard the sound of a gun being fired and quickly exited his vehicle. The suspect then drove away immediately. A witness confirmed that the suspect, who was driving a vehicle, was observed shooting at another vehicle.

Daily Crime Report :: Thu - Jan 17, 2019

No notable incidents. Go to http://www.taraval.org/?p=14526 to see more on that days.

Daily Crime Report :: Fri – Jan 18, 2019

Battery

10:06 pm

100 Font Blvd

Officers responded to a report of an incident of battery. The victim stated that she had been waiting for her grandson and was sitting in the lobby when the suspect, who was nearby, started acting abnormally. The victim was attempting to walk away from the suspect when the suspect suddenly threw coffee on the victim. The suspect then fled the area.

Evading a Police Officer

5:04 pm

1800 19th Ave

Officers were searching for suspect who were involved in an auto burglary in the Richmond district and located them at a gas station. The officers attempted to detain the suspects but the suspects fled the scene at unsafe speeds while running through numerous stop signs.

Notable Incidents (Cont.)

Daily Crime Report :: Sat – Jan 19, 2019

Arson – Arrested
12:27 pm
00 Farallones St

Officers responded to an unknown complaint. Responding officers arrived at the location and made contact with the witness and victim. The victim reported that the suspect, a relative, was acting weirdly. The witness stated that the suspect was observed setting fire to the freezer compartment of the refrigerator while naked. The fire was extinguished by the witness. After further investigation, the suspect was arrested.

Robbery - Arrested

6:43 pm

St Charles Ave & Belle Ave

Officers responded to a report of a robbery. The victim reported that she was walking when a suspect suddenly came up from behind her and snatched her cell phone away from her hand. The victim attempted to retrieve her phone but the suspect responded by punching the victim in her face and fled with the phone. Responding officers successfully located the suspect and detained him. The victim responded to the suspect's location and identified him as the one who had stolen her phone. The suspect was arrested.

Assault - Theft from a Merchant

9:13 pm

1100 Ocean Ave

Officers responded to a report of a theft. The victim reported that suspect left the restaurant and taken some utensils. The victim followed the suspect and the suspect responded by throwing a container of soup at the victim. The suspect then fled the area.

Traffic violation - Reckless Driving - Cited

6:32 pm

Randolph St & Victoria St

Officers were on patrol and observed a vehicle without front license plates. The officers conducted a traffic stop and made contact with the driver before citing him. The driver, who was unhappy with citation, followed the officers afterwards and was observed passing vehicles illegally and running numerous stop signs to tailgate the officers. The driver was stopped and cited a second time.

See More

Daily Crime Reports

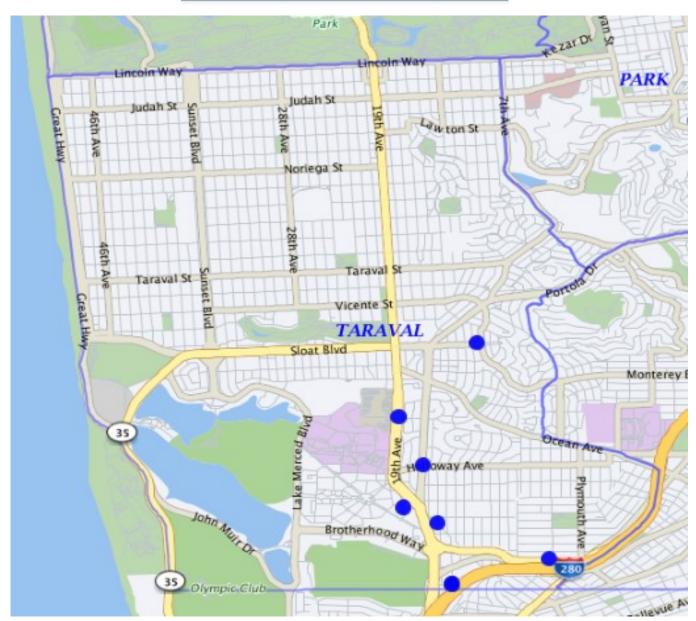
Do you want to know what happens daily in the District?

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

Note: Not all crimes are reported

Robbery 01/01/19 - 01/24/19

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ROBBERY	Firearm	2
	Knife or Cutting Instrument	0
	Other Dangerous Weapon	1
	Strongarm (no weapon)	5
		8

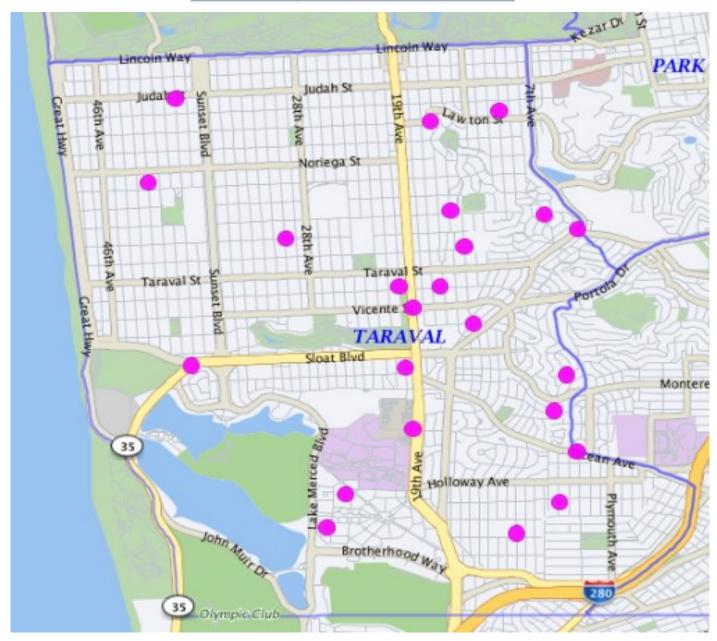


If the dots does not add up to the number, there may be multiple incidents with the same address.

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

Burglary 01/01/19 - 01/24/19

BURGLARY	Attempted Forcible Entry	2
	Forcible Entry	15
	Unlawful Entry - No force	6
		23

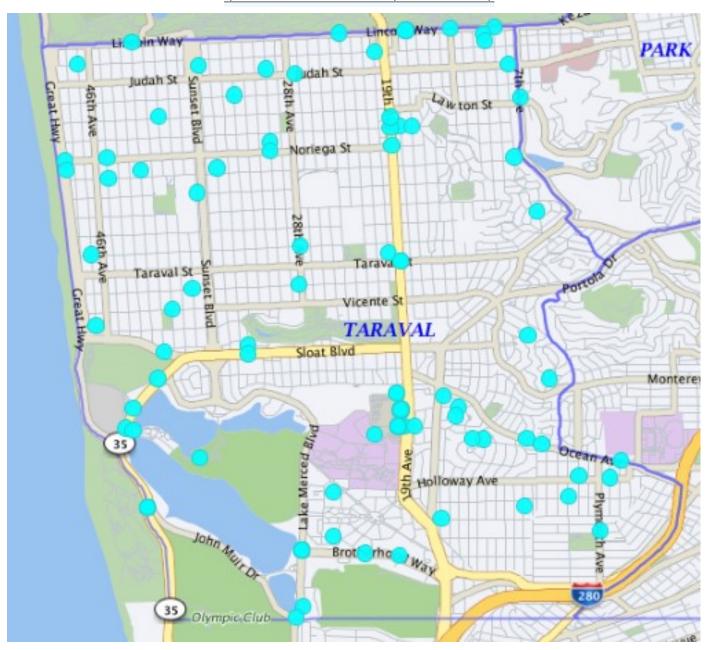


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Auto Burglaries 01/01/19 - 01/24/19

Auto Burglaries	117
	117



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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.



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

9-1-1

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- · Marriage Licenses
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415-553-0123

KEEP 9-1-1 AVAILABLE FOR EMERGENCIES

POLICE NON-EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE 24/7

- Noise complaints
- Loitering
- · Wellness checks



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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



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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.

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.

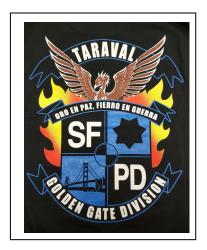
(If this is an emergency, please call 911. For non-emergencies, call 415-553-0123. You may also visit http://sanfranciscopolice.org/police-commendation-complaint for more information on providing input on SFPD policies and practices.)

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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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.