DISTRICT 3 NEWSLETTER

Working with our community to provide professional police services since 1858.

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PATROL UPDATES



COLLABORATING WITH THE SAFE TEAM TO ADDRESS QUALITY OF LIFE ISSUES. **DISTRICT 3 OFFICERS**

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Efforts to improve quality of life in the Hopper Street and Caulfield area continue with successful teamwork between the Downtown Streets Team, SAFE, HomeFirst, and the Petaluma Police Department. Officers have been addressing issues such as homelessness, with ongoing outreach and enforcement to tackle growing encampments. A recent arrest was made in connection with this, and follow-up efforts remain in place to permanently resolve the situation.

In the Quarry Heights Neighborhood, officers have made significant progress in reducing loitering, speeding, vandalism, and other quality-of-life concerns. After a concerted effort to address these issues, reports of such incidents have notably declined.

Officers have also been focusing on increased traffic enforcement in areas like Keokuk Street, Kentucky Street at Prospect Street, and B and D Streets at 6th Street, responding to complaints of stop sign violations. Additional traffic enforcement is being conducted in the Grant Avenue and Mountain View area due to ongoing traffic complaints.

SERGEANT SPOTLIGHT

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Throughout the quarter, proactive policing measures were implemented to address community concerns and enhance public safety in Beat 2, which encompasses districts 1-4. As an organization, we continue to prioritize our four service goals: reduce crime, increase traffic safety, improve quality of life, and community engagement. Those priorities guide our daily activities in the community.

Officers conducted additional traffic enforcement near schools, surface streets, and busy intersections, leading to a noticeable improvement in compliance. Additionally, the Community Impact Response Team (CIRT) focused on high-priority areas, including the Keller Street garage, River Front & Quarry Heights residential developments, and other locations where ongoing issues such as drug activity, loitering, and illegal camping were mitigated, resulting in improved quality of life for community members. Staff attended multiple community events, such as the Veterans Day Parade and downtown association business meetings, that help foster continuous engagement. Moreover, Patrol, CIRT, SAFE, and HomeFirst continue to work in unison using our service-first model to address unshelteredrelated incidents downtown, issuing citations for violations when appropriate and connecting individuals with services to work toward sustainable long-term solutions.eetaluma.org/map-district-policing

CITY DAYLIGHTING UPDATE

The City of Petaluma is on a mission to make Petaluma's streets safer for everyone!

When vehicles park right next to an intersection or crosswalk, it makes it hard for drivers to see pedestrians entering the crosswalk. To increase safety for our community, you will see new red curbs painted to reduce parking near crosswalks around town. These updates are in accordance with the Daylighting to Save Lives Bill (AB-413), a California State law that bans vehicles from stopping, standing, or parking within 10-15 feet of the approach side of a crosswalk.

While every effort is being made to retain as many parking spaces as possible, the work will result in the removal of some spaces. If daylighting work is planned to take place in your area, you will receive a notification postcard from our project team.

> Questions? Email: publicworks@cityofpetaluma.org

We continue with a proactive approach to addressing crime, safety, quality of life, and traffic issues. Below are citywide incident statistics, as well as calls for service specific to your district.

DISTRICT 3 Service Calls

Top 5 calls for service between October-December 2024:



OF THE MONTH

Stay safe, Petaluma! Save time, reduce stress, and stay safe on the road by:

- maintaining a safe following distance
- checking GPS apps ahead of time for realtime traffic conditions
- being mindful of changing speed limits, especially near areas with heavy pedestrian traffic

CONNECT WITH US



You can find us on a variety of platforms including: Instagram, Facebook, Twitter, and Nextdoor.



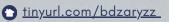
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WANT EMERGENCY OR COMMUNITY ALERTS? Text your zip code to: 888777



Totals across all districts between October-December 2024:



We wrapped up 2024 with another successful 'Shop with a Cop' event at Target! Through donations from the Petaluma Policing Foundation and Target's 'Heroes and Helpers Foundation', we were able to provide 11 in-need students from our community with the opportunity to shop for gifts and necessities for their families. Thank you to both organizations for their generosity this holiday season!



The Petaluma Policing Foundation is a non-profit organization that aids in supporting a variety of programs that increase the health, safety and awareness of our community. Want to learn more? Head to petalumapolicingfoundation.org



NEED TO FILE A CRIME REPORT ONLINE? petalumapd.policetocitizen.com