

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH REPORT



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Crime Prevention

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Records Division

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Covina Jail

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Traffic Division

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Detective Bureau

(626) 384-5628

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(626) 384-5599

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Pet Safety: Pets in Vehicles

It's summertime, the temperature is rising, and many pet owners like to bring their pets along for the ride.

Pet owners should take precautions when lodging a pet in a vehicle while running errands or visiting friends and family. Often pet owners fail to recognize the speed of which the interior of a parked car reaches extreme temperatures. Cracking the windows of the car offers very little temperature relief.

A Stanford University study showed that on a sunny 72 degree mid-day, a car's interior rocketed to 116 degrees within 60 minutes, and keeping the windows cracked only slightly affected the fast rise in



temperature.

California Penal Code section 597.7 makes it a crime to leave a pet in a vehicle if doing so affects the animal's health or well-being. If the temperature is too high, the pet(s) can be at a risk of heat stroke.

Some of the symptoms of heat stress are heavy

panting, glazed eyes, rapid pulse, unsteadiness or staggered gait, vomiting, or a deep red or purple tongue.

If you see an animal unattended in a vehicle, and the animal exhibits any of these symptoms, you should contact animal control and/or the local police agency.

Domestic Violence

Domestic violence is more than just a family issue, it is a crime. Domestic violence is one of the most pressing issues in American society. Consider these facts:

1 in 4 women will be victims of domestic violence at some point in their lives. 1.3 million women are assaulted by their partner every year. 85% of reported domestic violence is against women.

Domestic Violence laws are specific to persons involved in or previously involved in romantic relationships, marriages or who have children together. It can include violent acts of all
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Tips to Prevent Drinking and Driving

According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, there were 9,878 drunk driving fatalities in 2011. Please, be responsible, and consider the following tips to prevent drinking and driving.

Designated Driver: Arrange with someone who will be driving you for the evening, and make sure they do not drink any alcoholic beverage.

Call a Taxi: If you cannot find a ride to your next destination, calling a taxi is a great way to do so.

Forfeit your keys and/or take keys from others: You can't drive a car without them, and neither can your intoxicated friends.

Make non-alcoholic drinks available at parties. Water, soda, and juice can be excellent alternatives.

If you host, cut people off and give your guests time to sober up before they leave.

Domestic Violence (Continued)

kinds, including slaps, kicks, grabbing and squeezing, thrown items and strangulation.

WHAT TO DO IF YOU ARE A VICTIM OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

- Call 911 immediately and report the crime.
- If necessary, seek medical attention.
- Go to a safe place such as a domestic violence shelter.
- Tell one of your family members and/or friends. You do not need to deal with abuse alone.
- Have a safety plan. If your partner is abusive, have a plan to protect yourself and your children in case you need to leave quickly.
- Petition the Court for a Protective Order.

If you are a victim of domestic violence, now is the time to start thinking about protecting yourself. If you know others that are victims, encourage them to report it and to seek assistance. Many victims do not want their spouses to go to jail, but it is a crime, and suspects that commit violent acts are prone to doing so again.

For information regarding shelters, contact the Los Angeles County Referral Service at (626) 308-9690. You may also contact WINGS at (626) 967-0658 or House of Ruth at (909) 988-5559.

For additional help:

Los Angeles County Domestic Violence Hotline (800) 978-3600
Association to Aid Victims of Domestic Violence (805) 259-4357

Citizens Academy

Planning for the next Citizen's Academy is underway and we are seeking Covina residents and business people to apply and participate in the program.

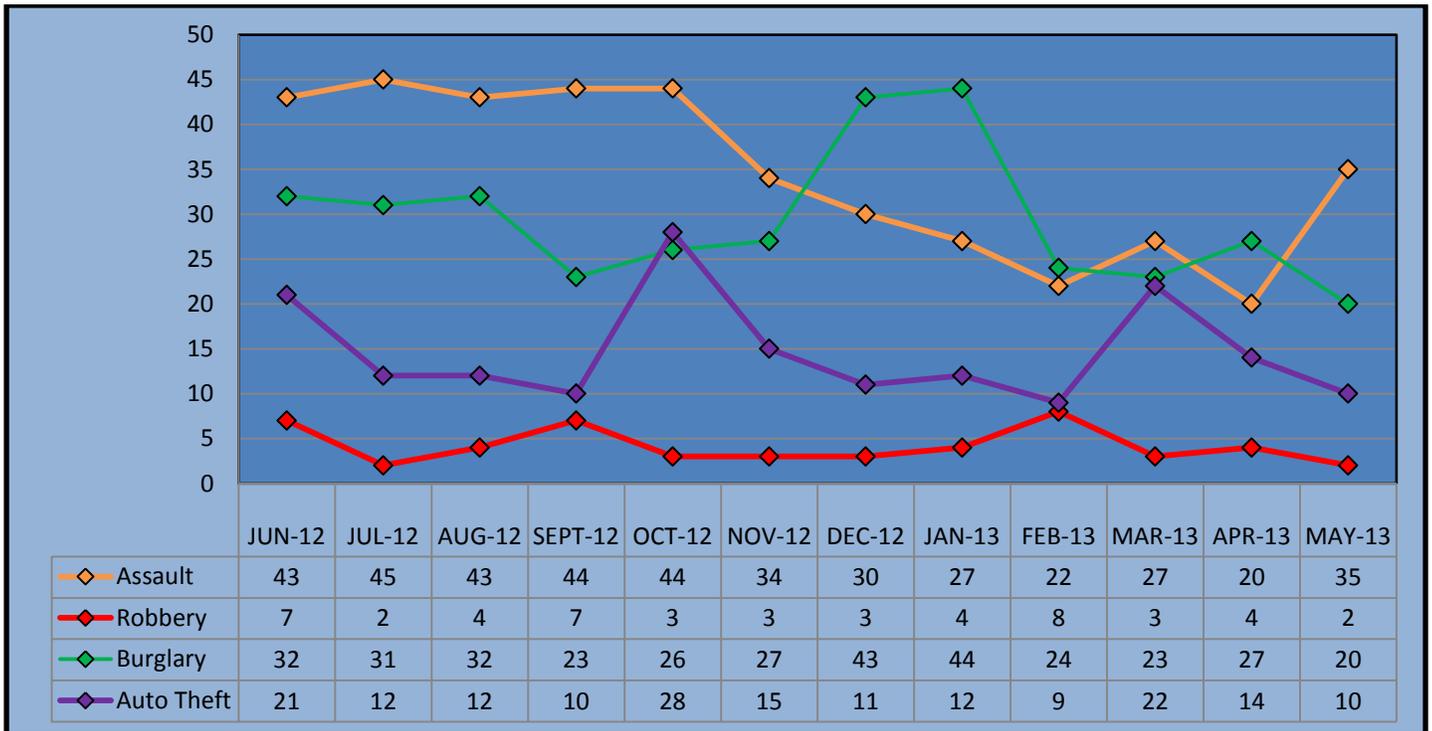
The Citizen's Academy is a seven week program that offers a unique opportunity to get to know and build relationships between the community and the officers working in your area.

Highlights of the program include instruction on a number of topics including Criminal Law, Powers of Arrest, Identity Theft/Fraud, Use of Force, Patrol Tactics, SWAT and Gangs/Narcotics.

Subject matter experts present information in a comfortable setting that encourages interaction and questions from students. A Los Angeles County judge will present information about the court system. Students will be able to ride-along with a patrol officer and Range Staff will instruct students on firearms safety and allow them to shoot department issued handguns in our department range.

For more information or to apply to participate, we invite you to contact Community Services Specialist Candace Bobkiewicz at 626-384-5630 or by email at cbobkiewicz@covinaca.gov

Covina Police Crime Statistics – May 2013



Click the link below to see the crime map

<http://covinaca.gov/crime-information/crimereports.com>

Violent Crimes -33%

- Homicide, Sexual Assault, Aggravated Assault & Robbery

Property Crime -21%

- Burglary, Auto Theft, Larceny & Arson

Calls for Service -4%



Percentages shown are increase or decrease from the previous year to date.