

# Police Department Patrick Nikolai, Chief of Police

# **POLICE BLOTTER**

Week of April 18, 2021



The Police Blotter highlights a partial list of incidents in the city and is distributed on a weekly basis. The Blotter provides the date, time, approximate location, a narrative summary of the incident, case number and the most serious arrest charge.

Meanwhile, the Arrest Log provides a timely, chronological summary of all the arrests made by the Santa Clara Police Department. It includes the name of the suspect(s), date of birth, city in which they reside, arrest date, time, location, case number as well as all the charge(s) associated with the arrest. This information, located on the Santa Clara Police Department's home page (<a href="www.scpd.org">www.scpd.org</a>), is updated daily and serves as the most comprehensive list of arrests made.

Based on the mandatory orders from Santa Clara County Public Health, the City of Santa Clara has implemented many service level changes, limited to essential services. Since the preparation and distribution of a Police Blotter is not an essential service, it will be produced as resources are available.

# **Sunday, April 18, 2021**

Residential Burglary Location: 400 Block of Giannini Drive

Unknown subject(s) made entry into the victim's unlocked detached garage on the 400 block of Giannini Drive. A bicycle, valued at approximately \$850, was stolen. The subject(s) are unknown and outstanding.

Time: 1824

Case Number: 21-418145

### Monday, April 19, 2021

Petty Theft Location: 3200 Block of Mission College Boulevard A former female employee of a business on the 3200 block of Mission College Boulevard shoplifted \$317.80 worth of merchandise. A Loss Prevention Specialist observed the incident and did not contact the former employee following the incident.

An officer contacted the subject by phone. The subject admitted to the petty theft and agreed to return the items. The items were returned to the store on 4/25/21. The store did not require prosecution.

Time: 1437

Case Number: 21-419087

Tuesday, April 20, 2021

Fraud Location: 2000 Block of Jackson Street

A victim-initiated contact with an online investment website and sent approximately \$26,000 worth of Bitcoin via nine separate transactions. According to the investment website, the Bitcoin was valued at just over \$100,000 at the time of this report. The victim attempted to cash out a portion of the investment and receive \$3,000 in November 2020, however, was unable to retrieve the balance.

The victim hired a private company to investigate the situation who determined the company was flagged as criminal. The victim lost approximately \$23,000 from the fraudulent transactions. The Police Department was contacted to document the incident.

Time: 1426

Case Number: 21-420083

## Wednesday, April 21, 2021

Suspicious Circumstance Location: 200 Block of Rodonovan Drive Public Safety Dispatchers received a call for service regarding a suspicious vehicle on the 200 block of Rodonovan Drive being driven by a male subject.

An officer contacted the reporting party. The witness described an incident that occurred on 4/19/21. The victim was out for a walk with a dog in the area of Cronin Drive and Pruneridge Avenue and noticed vehicle following the witness. The witness cut through the park and the vehicle pulled up to the victim on the other side of the park, rolled down the window, complemented the victim on their dog and offered to provide the victim a ride. The victim declined.

On 4/21/21, the victim observed the same vehicle in the area and contacted Public Safety Dispatchers. The vehicle was parked on Mauricia Avenue and the subject inside appeared to be watching a female. The victim contacted the female and advised her that she may be being followed. As soon as the initial victim contacted the female, the subject left the area.

The initial victim followed the subject vehicle to the 400 block of Harvard Avenue. The victim obtained the license plate number, vehicle and subject description and contacted Public Safety Dispatchers. An officer contacted the subject. A Records check revealed he is clear of any wants or warrants and is not currently on probation or parole.

A report was taken for informational purposes only. No further action was taken.

Time: 1421

Case Number: 21-421109

#### Thursday, April 22, 2021

Fatal Collision Location: Pruneridge Avenue and San Tomas Expressway A motorcyclist died from injuries sustained after colliding with the center median of San Tomas Expressway.

On Thursday, April 22, 2021, at 6:30 p.m., Santa Clara police officers responded to the area of San Tomas Expressway near Pruneridge Avenue on a report of a solo vehicle motorcycle accident.

Upon arrival, officers located the 23-year old male rider of the motorcycle suffering from significant injuries. He was transported to a nearby hospital for medical treatment but later succumbed to his injuries.

The investigation revealed that the motorcyclist was traveling northbound on San Tomas in the #1 lane of traffic when he struck the center median. Speed appears to have played a factor in the collision. The force of the impact resulted in southbound and northbound lanes of San Tomas Expressway being shut down for approximately four hours.

If anyone witnessed this incident, we encourage you to contact our Traffic Investigator, Stephen Selberg, at (408) 615- 4764.

Time: 1830

Case Number: 21-422110

#### Friday, April 23, 2021

Grand Theft Location: 3500 Block of Monroe Street

A male subject entered a business on the 3500 block of Monroe Street and stole approximately

\$4,167.07 of liquor. A second male subject waited outside the store in a vehicle. The subjects immediately fled on Lawrence Expressway following the grand theft.

The subjects are unknown and at large.

Time: 1429

Case Number: 21-423073

#### Saturday, April 24, 2021

Driving Under the Influence Location: 2300 Block of Owen Street

Public Safety Dispatchers received an anonymous call regarding a vehicle that had hit the center divider. Moments later another caller reported a solo vehicle collision nearby on the 2300 block of Owen Street. Based on the description of the collision both police and fire personnel were deployed.

The Fire Department was treating the victim when a police officer arrived. A DMV records check matched the vehicle of a missing person, reported earlier in the day to the Sunnyvale Department of Public Safety. The driver displayed objective symptoms of being under the influence of a controlled substance. A search of his person yielded controlled substances. He performed the Standardized Field Sobriety Tests and participated in a Preliminary Alcohol Screening test. His blood alcohol content measured 0.19 and 0.18. Due to complaints of pain, he was transported to a local hospital for treatment. He was later arrested and released on his own recognizance.

Time: 2142

Case Number: 21-424122

During these challenging times, if you find yourself in a troubling situation, the Santa Clara Police Department encourages you to utilize the following community resources:

- Disaster Distress Helpline, 800-985-5990
- Domestic Violence Crisis Line, 800-799-7233
- Emergency, 9-1-1
- National Alliance on Mental Illness, 800-950-6264 or text 741741
- National Suicide Prevention Hotline, 800-273-8255
- Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, 800-662-4357
- Veteran's Crisis Line, 800-273-8255

#### For accurate Coronavirus information:

Coronavirus Local News and Resources – <u>www.SantaClaraCA.gov/CoronavirusUpdates</u>
FEMA Coronavirus Myths and Facts - <u>https://www.fema.gov/coronavirus-rumor-control</u>
FEMA Coronavirus News, Fact Sheets, FAQ and Ways to Help - <u>https://www.fema.gov/coronavirus</u>