

First Precinct - Sector 111 Community Report December 2008

Lieutenant James J. Laino

Happy New Year everyone,

I hope everyone enjoyed the holidays. I look forward to the New Year and the continued support from the community, business owners and Sector Officers in our mission to making Sector 111 a better place to live and work. I am happy to report during the month of December the Sector experienced a 15% decrease in major crime; a 37% decrease in violent crime (19 incidents reported in 2007 compared to 12 in 2008) and a 9% decrease in property crime. These decreases are a direct result of the hard work of the Sector Officers and Sector Detectives along with the support and assistance from the residents.

One focus for officers and detectives during the month of December was to impact the increase of daytime burglaries in the Fulton Neighborhood which rose during the month of November. They were able to identify a group of suspects and the number of reported incidents decreased from 8 in November to 5 in December.

Crime Trends for December:

- *Church Hill theft from motor vehicles and thefts from buildings.
- *Chimborazo thefts from vacant or renovated homes.
- *Church Hill North thefts from vacant or renovated homes and thefts from motor vehicles.
- •Fulton daytime residential burglary.
- *Oakwood no trends.
- *Union Hill no trends.

Two of the big challenges we faced during 2008 were residential burglaries and thefts related to motor vehicles. We were able to affect the number of incidents by community awareness and educating residents. As we begin 2009 I want to continue with the same message, don't leave any items inside your vehicle and keep a look out for suspicious people in your neighborhood. By keeping the interior of your car clear of personal items and valuables you can reduce the chance that you will be a victim. Also by alerting the Police of suspicious people in your community you can reduce the chance that yours or your neighbor's property will be victimized. You can contact the Police Departments Community Care Unit at 646-0407 for a free home security check which can provide you with specific crime prevention tips and assess your home for any security deficiencies.

Overall the Sector finished the year with a 13% reduction in major crime and a ranking of 5^{th} among the 12 Sectors. Throughout the year we were able to reduce the number of violent crimes by 24% and the number of property crimes by 12%. This was possible with the support and partnerships with the communities that makeup the Sector.

During this reporting period Sector 111 officers answered 1,652 radio calls, compiled 196 reports and investigated 21 vehicle accidents. They also made 127 misdemeanor arrests, 23 felony arrests, executed 77 warrants, issued 103 traffic summons and conducted 71 field interviews.

I want to thank everyone that contributed to making Sector 111 a better place to live and work in 2008.

Sincerely, Lt. James Laino

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