



First Precinct - Sector 111 Community Report March 2011

Lieutenant James J. Laino

During the month of March, Sector 111 experienced an 18% decrease in Major Crime; a 27% decrease in violent crime (11 incidents in 2010 compared to 8 in 2011) and a 16% decrease in property crime (50 incidents compared to 42 in 2011). See below for information and crime trends for your neighborhood:

The current trend for the Church Hill Neighborhood is thefts from yards. During March and the beginning of April, there were 4 incidents of items being taken from the front porches at the following locations; 2900 block of E. Marshall Street (UPS package), 2700 block of E. Grace Street (4' tall boxwood tree), 200 block of N 27th Street (large white wicker chair) and the 200 block of N 26th Street (statue). Three of the four incidents occurred during the late evening hours, between 10:00 pm and 8:00 am.

This month the Church Hill North Neighborhood experienced an increase in both violent and property crime. There were 3 robberies, 2 aggravated assaults, 4 burglaries and 5 thefts from buildings. Below is the breakdown;

-Aggravated Assault - 700 block of N 32nd St - 3/20 at 3:00 am - the male victim was struck in the head with a handgun by the male offender. The known offender was arrested.

-Aggravated Assault Domestic - 1500 block of N 29th St - 2/20 at 10:15 pm - the female was victim was assaulted by her boyfriend. The offender was arrested.

-Robbery - 2700 block of P St - 3/19 at 10:15 pm - the victim was walking on P St when he was approached by an unknown male who asked him for a light. The suspect then produced a handgun and robbed the victim of personal items. The suspect is described as a black male, 6' tall, medium to dark complexion, pointy nose, no facial hair and wearing all dark clothing. Detectives are still investigating this incident.

-Robbery/Kidnapping - 3001 Nine Mile Rd - 3/20 at 3:00 am - the victim stated that he was approached by two armed males while sitting at a red light. The victim was held against his will and robbed of personal items. The two offenders have been identified, one of which has been arrested and warrants obtained for the other.

-Robbery/Carjacking - 2905 Nine Mile Rd - 3/21 at 11:30 am - the victim just left the convenience store and was approached by two unknown males as he opened his car door. One of the suspects displayed a firearm and robbed the victim of money. The other suspect jumped in the victim's vehicle and the two suspects fled the area. The vehicle was located a short distance away. Detectives have identified possible suspects in this incident and are continuing with their investigation.

-Commercial Burglary - 3000 block of Nine Mile Rd - 3/29 at 1:45 am - the suspect entered the business by cutting a hole in the roof. The suspect has been identified and warrants are on file for separate incident. Detectives and officers are currently looking for the offender.

-Residential Burglary - 1300 block of N 30th St - occurred on 2/27 and reported on 3/1 - a known offender broke into the victim's home. The offender was arrested on 4/1.

-Residential Burglary - 1400 block of N 30th St - 3/4 at 12:35 pm - the victim left his residence to go to the store and left his backdoor unlocked. He returned minutes later because he forgot something and heard noise coming from the rear of the house. The suspect(s) entered through the unlocked door and stole jewelry, some of which was recovered in the rear yard.

-Residential Burglary - 1100 block of N 29th St - occurred between 3/3-6 unknown time - the victim was out of town for the weekend and when he returned he found that his home was ransacked. The suspect(s) entered through an unsecured rear window and removed household items.

-Theft from buildings - of the 5 reported 3 were related to buildings that are either under construction or vacant.

There is currently no crime trend for the Chimborazo Neighborhood. There was a report of a shooting in the 3800 block of M Street, where the victim stated he was approached by a male and as he ran away he was shot. According to the victim this occurred on 3/20 at 2:00 am. Officers were unable to locate a crime where the victim stated this incident occurred.

To follow-up on the complaint received in January in reference to the apartment being used to host illegal gambling. On February 12th at 1:00 am the CAPS team, along with Officer Harold Ford, conducted an inspection at 3405 N Street which led to the apartment being condemned.

The current trend for the Oakwood Neighborhood is residential burglaries; there were 3 this month, none of which appears to be related. They occurred at the following locations; 1200 block of N 34th St on 3/5 between 2:00 pm and 3:20 pm, 3500 block of East Richmond Road between 3/18 at 2:00 pm and 3/19 at 4:00 am, and 3400 block of S Street on 3/27 at 10:55 hours.

Like some of the other neighborhoods, Fulton has also experienced 4 burglaries; one to a business and 3 to residences. Here is the breakdown;

-Attempted Commercial burglary - Quick Mart 1 at 1621 Williamsburg Rd - 3/16 at 2:11 am - a citizen observed an individual on the roof of the business and notified police. When officers arrived they observed a ladder at the rear of the business, however the suspect had already fled. It appears that the suspect attempted to gain entry by cutting a hole in the roof, he was not successful.

-Attempted Residential burglary - 1500 block of Carlisle Ave - 3/5 at 11:00 am - the victim reported that he was sitting on the couch when he heard someone kicking at the backdoor. As he got up and walked towards the door the suspect ran off. The door and jam was damaged by the suspect kicking at the door.

-Attempted Residential burglary - 1300 block of Jennie Scher Rd - 3/8 between 2:30 pm and 7:00 pm - when the owner returned home she discovered the dead bolt to the front door was damaged from someone trying to force entry. Nothing was taken.

-Residential Burglary - 1400 block of Jennie Scher Rd - 3/28 between 2:00 pm and 4:00 pm - the owner came home to find the rear window broken and small electronics stolen.

Also during this period the Family Dollar located at 1720 Williamsburg Rd was robbed on 3/31 at 6:10 pm. The suspect was identified after he was arrested on an unrelated robbery on 4/1.

****Crime alert in Fulton**** Since the 1st of April there have been several cars broken into at the following locations; 5500-5600 blocks of Campbell Ave, 5400 block of Parker St, 1300-1400 blocks of Vinton St and 1300 block of Ashley St. Please remember not to leave anything in the interior of your vehicle, regardless of value. The suspect(s) are either breaking out windows or finding cars unlocked.

The current trend for the Union Hill is also thefts related to motor vehicles. During this period there have been 5 incidents reported. Please remember to remove all items from the interior of your vehicle.

During the month of April the dayshift officers will focus on the residential burglaries in Church Hill North and Oakwood. The evening shift officers will focus on violent crime in Fulton, Church Hill North and Union Hill. And the midnight shift officers will focus on thefts related to motor vehicles in Fulton and Union Hill.

Sincerely,
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IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

First Precinct - 646-3602
Non-emergency number 646-5100
Truancy Hotline - 646-ABCD (2223)
Drug Complaints 646-8123

CRIME PREVENTION TIPS

Burglaries:

- During the winter months remove portable air conditioners from your windows; this has been a point of entry in recent burglaries.
- Make sure you always lock your doors and windows when you leave home.
- If you are working in the rear yard, be sure to lock your front door.
- Don't leave items out that can be used to gain entry through a window, such as ladders.
- Keep shrubs and trees trimmed.
- Make sure sheds and outbuildings are always locked.
- Get to know your neighbors -keep a watch on each others property and exchange contact numbers in case there is an emergency.
- Don't leave items unsecured in your yard such as bikes and lawn mowers; this sometimes invites criminals onto your property.
- Notify the Police Dept if you are going on vacation or out of town on business.

Motor Vehicle Theft:

- Never leave your car running unattended (don't warm up your car)
- Never leave a spare set of keys in your vehicle
- Keep your vehicle locked

Theft of a moped / bicycle:

- Always secure to a permanent structure at your home.
- Document the vehicle identification number - VIN or serial number.
- Take a photo and document any unique characteristics (ex. - stickers or damage).
- If possible store in a shed or garage.

Thefts from motor vehicles:

- Always keep your vehicle locked.
- Don't leave your car running or spare keys inside.
- Take personal items in your home/apartment or secure in the trunk - especially IPod's, GPS's and change.
- Inform your guests about leaving items in the interior of their vehicles.
- To prevent theft of license plates, purchase anti-theft license plate screws ranging from \$3 to \$10 at your local hardware or auto parts store. You should also cut an "X" in your license plate decals once they are affixed.