

Taraval Station Newsletter Mini Updates



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Greetings everyone.

I hope you are all safe and sound after such a stormy last couple of weeks. We had several trees down, traffic signals out and intersections flooded throughout the district but I am happy to report that there no major injuries reported. Just a reminder that driving in the rain is always a bit more tricky than dry conditions so please use more caution and give yourself a bit of extra time so you are don't find yourself in a rush to get somewhere driving on wet roadways. The old saying of "It's not worth it" comes to mind if something happened while trying to get somewhere quickly instead of safely. Taraval Station Officers will be more proactive and conducting traffic enforcement along the Sloat Blvd corridor so drive safely.

Your Taraval Neighborhood Team, TNT, has been working hard lately and have made two outstanding arrests. In one caper TNT set up a "bait bike" operation in the area of 46th and Judah. The bait bike was quickly stolen after being briefly left unattended. TNT nabbed the would be thief and low and behold he was on active felony probation for burglary. The surprised bike thief was book into county jail for grand theft and a probation violation. Shockingly we noticed a drop in home burglaries in the neighborhood.

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Captain Nicholas Rainsford Commanding Officer Taraval Station

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Next Community

Meeting:

Tue., Mar. 19, 2019 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Taraval Station Community

Room

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@SFPDTaraval

Website: http:// www.taraval.org





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In yet another operation TNT conducted surveillance at the Stonestown Mall parking lot a young man was seen peering in multiple vehicles however none were broken into. TNT officers along with uniformed officers conducted a traffic stop and identified the young man. As it turns out he happens to be on active felony probation for robbery. The young man bemoaned the traffic stop as he declared "I didn't do any-thing", so TNT contacts the probation officer who tells us his probationer is wearing an ankle monitor with GPS capability. The unsuspecting probationer's travels are subsequently tracked and he is a frequent visitor to numerous areas throughout the City where auto burglaries happen frequently, wow. TNT tracked the young man to the area of the Legion of Honor and observed him breaking into a car and a foot pursuit ensues but the fleet of foot TNT crew quickly make the arrest and declare "we meet again." The bad guy is booked into county jail for auto burglary and a probation violation. A subsequent search warrant served at his home in San Mateo County reveals evidence linking the thief to approximately 15 prior auto burglary cases. We think auto burglaries around Stonestown might decrease a bit..

Bottom line is the TNT crew and uniformed officers are working hard to keep thieves out of our community and sending a message that more operations are coming and coming.

As I close I would like to give a bit of a tip to everyone which is "If you see something say something". You are the eyes and ears of the community and Taraval Station has a great relationship with its residents so let us know when you think something is just not right. Go to the stations website at Taraval.org for much more information, follow Taraval Station on twitter at @SFPD Taraval for some really interesting tweets and if you'd like to subscribe to the station newsletter send an email to benny.lew@sfgov.org.





SFPD is Seeking Public Assistance in Locating Fatal Hit and Run Suspect Vehicle Suspect Driving a Silver or Gray Sedan Struck a 64 Year-old Pedestrian Before Fleeing the Scene 19-022

On February 26, 2019 at approximately 8:07pm, San Francisco police officers responded to California Street and 18th Avenue regarding a hit and run collision.

Preliminary information indicates that the victim, a 64 year-old female San Francisco resident was crossing California Street at 18th Avenue when she was struck by a motor vehicle. The driver of the suspect vehicle failed to stop and fled the scene. The suspect vehicle was last seen traveling northbound on 19th Avenue then eastbound on Lake Street. The victim was transported to Zuckerberg San Francisco General Hospital (ZSFGH) where she later died.

Investigators from the SFPD Traffic Collison Investigation Unit (TCIU) are searching for a silver or gray sedan with possible front end and windshield damage.

Residents and business owners in the area are asked to check their surveillance camera systems for possible images of the suspect vehicle.

Anyone with information on this incident is asked to call the SFPD 24 hour tip line at 1-415-575-4444 or Text a Tip to TIP411 and begin the text message with SFPD. You may remain anonymous



Wet Weather Driving Tips

Replace windshield wiper inserts that leave streaks or don't clear the glass in a single swipe. Make sure all headlights, taillights, brake lights and turn signals are properly functioning so other drivers will see you during downpours. Turn on your headlights whenever you drive. Day or night, keep your headlights on while driving in rain. California require that headlights must be in use when you cannot see more than 500 feet ahead of you. Headlights are also required when windshield wipers are turned on.

Proper tire tread depth and inflation are imperative to maintaining good traction on wet roadways. Check tread depth with a quarter inserted upside down into the tire groove. If you can see above Washington's head, start shopping for new tires. Check each tire's pressure, including the spare, at least once a month... and be sure to check the pressure when the tires are cold.

Slowing down during wet weather driving can be critical to reducing a car's chance of hydroplaning, when the tires rise up on a film of water. With as little as 1/12 inch of water on the road, tires have to displace a gallon of water per second to keep the rubber meeting the road. Drivers should reduce their speed to correspond to the amount of water on the roadway. At speeds as low as 35 mph, new tires can still lose some contact with the roadway.

To reduce chances of hydroplaning, drivers should slow down, avoid hard braking or turning sharply and drive in the tracks of the vehicle ahead of you. Also, it's important for motorists to allow ample stopping distance between cars by increasing the following distance of the vehicle in front of them and beginning to slow down to stop for intersections, turns and other traffic early.

Read AAA "A Guide to Wet-Weather Driving Techniques"

https://exchange.aaa.com/wp-content/uploads/2014/04/Get-a-Grip.pdf





Park Smart! Degeegeegeegegege

Safe Habits to Adopt:



Turn off the ignition Never leave your car running unattended



Keep your vehicle & tires in good condition to prevent breakdowns—stranding you in a dark or unfamiliar place



Lock your doors when you get in your car

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See something, say something If you see a motorist in distress, call 9-1-1 versus stopping to help



Clear your trunk every time you leave your car



If you are being followed, drive to the nearest police or fire station a populated area is a good default









LOCK PROTECT REGISTER safebikes.org

SAFE BIKES is a program of San Francisco SAFE in partnership with the SFPD



Go to safebikes.org to register your bicycle with the SFPD and SAFE BIKES and for other bicycle theft prevention resources.

@SFPDBikeTheft on Twitter

method is highly effective



No locking method is 100% foolproof, but this

GUIDE FOR LOCKING YOUR BIKE:

 Use the smallest U-lock that works for your bike to minimize the amount of space available for a thief to

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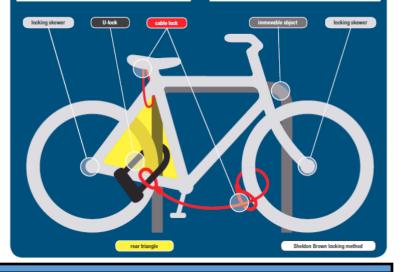
- Use a hardened steel U-Lock to secure back wheel inside the rear triangle of the bicycle frame. Check to make sure U-lock is secured to an immovable
- metal object. Secure front wheel with cable or second U-lock. Loop cable around the down tube of the bicycle or
- secure second U-lock to front wheel and down tube. Replace quick release skewers and nutted wheels with keyed locking skewers and nuts to ensure wheels and saddles are locked to the bike frame at
- all times. Check with local bike shop for proper installation of locking skewers and advice







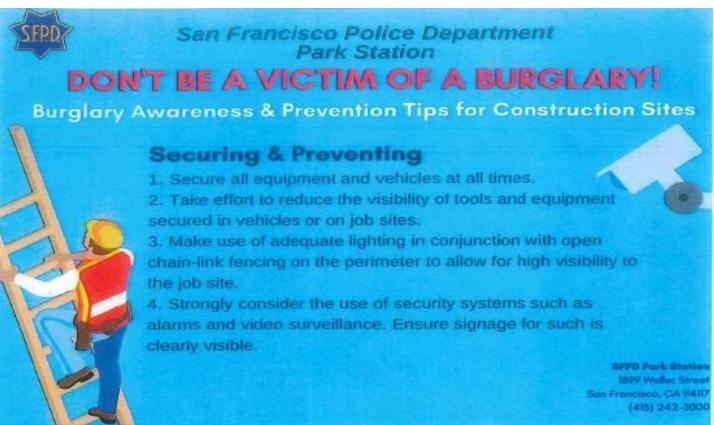






From Park Police Station





Precautionary Measures

 Photograph all tools.
 Ensure photographs clearly show the associated serial number and/or distinctive markings.
 Ensure job site keys are marked "Do Not Duplicate" and are controlled at all times.
 Attempt to park employee vehicles within visual range of the job site.

Should a Burglary Occur

Immediately contact 911. Be prepared to provide the following information: a) Time of incident. b) Video (if available). c) Items taken (include make, model, description, location taken from, value, photos and serial numbers). d) Insurance information. e) Owner's information.

> SFPD Park Statio 1899 Waller Stree San Francisco, CA 9411 (415) 242-300





San Francisco Police Activities League

LAW ENFORCEMENT CADETS

- Gain leadership and career skills - Character development - Community service - Internship at SFPD Stations/ Bureaus

4-week summer training at the SF Police Academy June 10 - July 3, 2019

Minimum qualifications:

- 14 - 20 years old - Reside or attend school in San Francisco - Enrolled in high school/college - Have and maintain a 2.0 GPA - Pass SFPD criminal history background check

> Interested? Attend the information session: Saturday, April 6th 10:30am - 11:30am OR

Wednesday, April 10th 6:00pm -7:00pm

Complete the application online http://www.sfpal.org/programs/law-enforcement-cadets

Cadets@SFPAL.org. (415) 401-4666

Application due by 5:00pm Monday, May 6, 2019









(SRO) School Resource Officers

Our SRO's, Officer Pineda and Officer Lok visited Stratford School on De Montofort Ave. The officers stalk to the kids about what they do and general safety.



Officer Lok takes students bowling.







Previous Weeks Notable Incidents

*** Not all crimes are reported in the daily report, Address shown are the "Unit Block" where the incident took place.

Daily Crime Report :: Sun – Feb 17, 2019

Battery – Cited

<u>11:07 am</u>

200 Minerva St

Officers responded to a report of a battery. The victim stated that after officers responded to an earlier incident regarding a verbal argument between the suspect and the victim, the suspect became angry after the officers left. The suspect, the victim's brother, then punched and pushed the victim. The suspect was cited.

Daily Crime Report :: Mon – Feb 18, 2019

Vehicle Burglary – Probation Violation – Arrested

<u>5:13 pm</u>

100 34th Ave

Plain clothes TNT officers conducted an investigation on auto burglaries and were on surveillance when they observed the suspect, who had a known history, breaking into a vehicle. The officers detained the suspect and after further investigation, the suspect was arrested.

Shooting – Robbery

<u>9:26 pm</u>

2000 15th Ave

Officers responded to UC hospital regarding two shooting victims. The victim reported that one of them lived in the area and they decided to walk to 15th Avenue to smoke marijuana. The victim stated that the suspect approached them with a gun and demanded their property and a fight ensued when one of the victims grabbed at the suspect. The victim stated that the suspect then shot at the victims before stealing their property and fled the area. However, after further investigation, it was determined that there were discrepancies with the victim's statement and determined that it was an isolated incident.

Arson – Vandalism

<u>6:37 pm</u>

00 Chumasero Dr

Officers responded to a report of an incident of arson. SFFD determined that the area was safe and that the suspect had set the smoke detector on fire.

Daily Crime Report :: Tue – Feb 19, 2019

No Driver's License – Traffic Violation – Cited

<u>11:08 Am</u>

Monterey Blvd & Plymouth Ave

Officers were on patrol and observed a vehicle that failed to make a stop at a posted stop sign. The officers conducted a traffic stop and a computer check on the driver revealed that his license had been suspended. The driver also did not have proof of insurance. The driver was cited.





Notable Incidents (Cont.)

No Driver's License – Traffic Violation – Cited

<u>11:23 pm</u>

20th Ave & Winston Dr

Officers were conducting speed enforcement and tracked the vehicle traveling at 67 mph in a 30mph zone. The officers conducted a traffic stop and a computer check revealed that the driver only had a conditional driver's permit. The driver was cited.

Search Warrant

<u>11:59 pm</u>

South San Francisco

Officers conducted a warrant search on a suspect who had been arrested earlier for breaking into vehicles. The warrant was executed and numerous pieces of evidence that linked the suspect to additional burglaries were located. Additional charges were added to the suspect.

Daily Crime Report :: Wed – Feb 20, 2019

No notable incidents for this day. Go to http://www.taraval.org/?p=14711

Daily Crime Report :: Thu – Feb 21, 2019

Search Warrants

<u>6:00 am</u>

7 location in the district

TNT officers had receive a tip concerning illegal growing of marijuana inside a location. The officers conducted an investigation and discovered that the suspect was also the owner of numerous buildings. The officers conducted surveillance on the locations and obtained a search warrant after collecting evidence. The search warrant was executed against seven locations and a search revealed that four of the locations were in use to grow a large amount of marijuana. This investigation is ongoing.

Daily Crime Report :: Fri – Feb 22, 2019

<u>Assault – Arrested</u> <u>4:39 pm</u>

3200 20th Ave

Officers responded to a report of an incident of assault at a local gym. The witness stated that the fight had happened inside the locker room. The victim reported that he was in the locker room when the two suspects walked in and looked at the victim. The victim responded by saying "hi" to the suspects to which the suspects made a comment and started punching the victim. After further investigation, the suspects were arrested.

Daily Crime Report :: Sat - Feb 23, 2019

Possession of Narcotics Paraphernalia – Methamphetamine Offense – Cited

<u>9:18 am</u>

Alemany Blvd & San Jose

Officers responded to a report of a traffic collision. Responding officers arrived at the location and joined Daly City PD officers who had already detained the suspect. A search of the suspect's vehicle located numerous glass pipes, that are commonly used to smoke methamphetamine, in plain view. After further investigation, the suspect was cited.



<u>Battery</u> <u>12:04 pm</u> 2200 Taraval St

The victim went to Taraval station to report an incident of battery. The victim reported that, several days ago, he had been drinking at a bar before deciding to go out and get cigarettes. While he was outside, the victim stated that he had been singing very loudly when three suspects suddenly attacked him. The victim ran into a nearby store and the suspects fled the area.

See More

Daily Crime Reports Do you want to know what happens daily in the District?

Read more at http://www.taraval.org/?cat=14

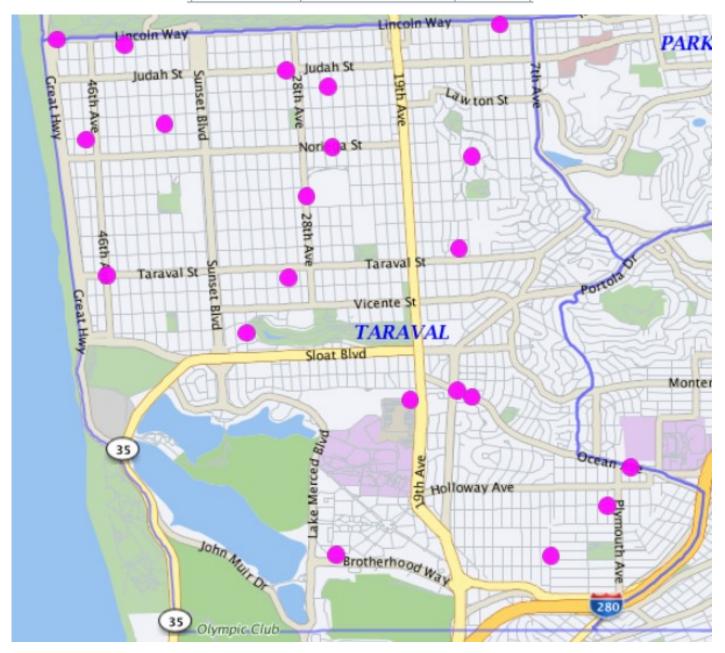
Note: Not all crimes are reported





Burglary 02/01/19 – 02/28/19

BURGLARY	Attempted Forcible Entry	5
	Forcible Entry	10
	Unlawful Entry - No force	6
		21



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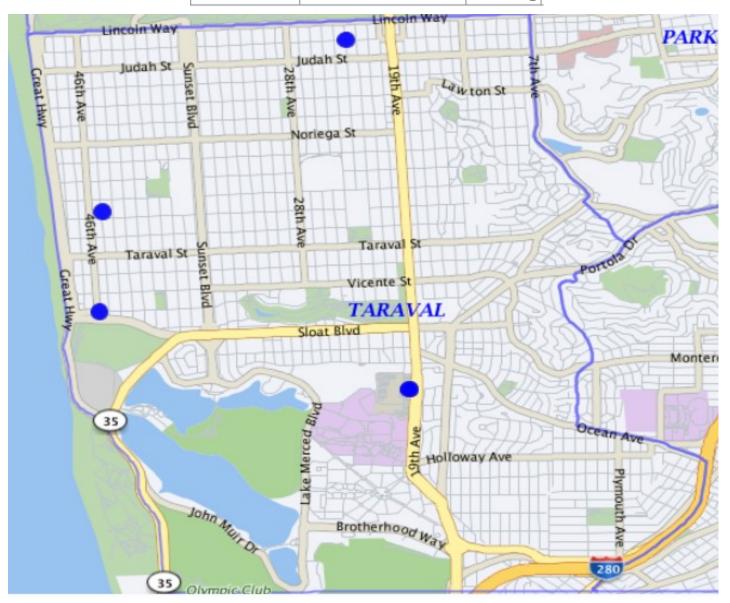
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Robbery 02/01/19 – 02/28/19

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ROBBERY	Firearm	0
	Knife or Cutting Instrument	0
	Other Dangerous Weapon	1
	Strongarm (no weapon)	4
		5



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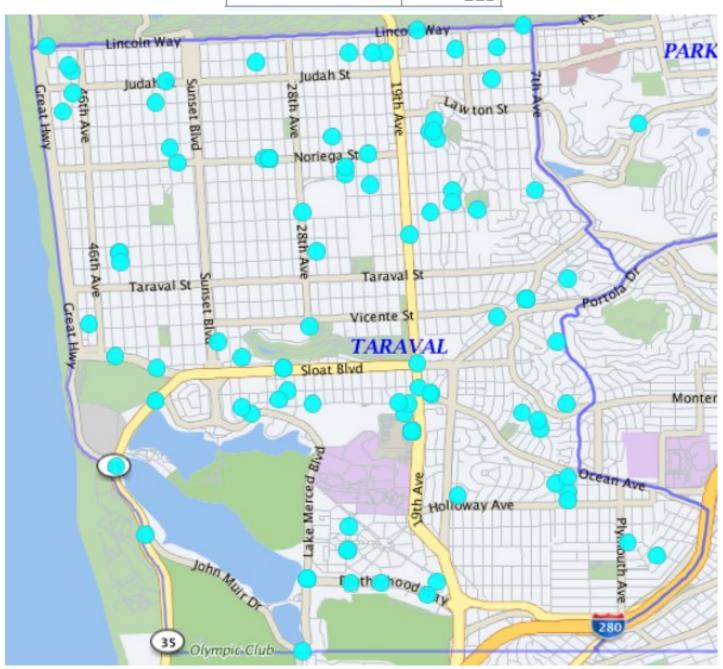
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Auto Burglaries 02/01/19 – 02/28/19

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Auto Burglaries 115



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Beware of Scams

Fake Check Scams

Consumers paid with phony checks for work or for items they're trying to sell, instructed to wire money back to buyer

Prizes/Sweepstakes/Free Gifts

Requests for payment to claim fictitious prizes, lottery winnings, or gifts

Recovery/Refund Companies

Scammers contact victims and claim the consumer owes money on a fictitious debt or to help recover money lost in a previous scam

Advance Fee Loans, Credit Arrangers

False promises of business or personal loans, even if credit is bad, for a fee upfront

Phishing/Spoofing

Emails pretending to be from a well-known source ask consumers to enter or confirm personal information

Computers: Equipment and Software

Scammers claim to offer "technical support" for computer problems and charge a fee to fix a nonexistent problem

Scholarships/Grants

For a fee, a "search company" offers to conduct customized search for scholarships or grants for students. Scammers take money and run or provide a worthless list

Friendship & Sweetheart Swindles

Con artist nurtures an online relationship, builds trust, and convinces victim to send money

Charitable Solicitations

Scammers contact victims claiming to represent non-existent charities (or real charities they don't actually work for) and ask for donations.





Definition of Suspicious Activity

Suspicious activity is any observed behavior that could indicate a crime-related incident has been committed, or about to be committed. Unusual items or situations: A vehicle is parked in an odd location, a package/luggage is unattended, a window/door is open that is usually closed, or other out-of-the-ordinary situations occur.

Examples of Suspicious Activity:

- An individual peering into vehicles, to try, and locate any valuables left unattended.
- An individual trying door handles to vehicles, and/or residences to gain access to the vehicle and/ or residence.
- An individual checking front doors of residences to locate any unattended packages or individuals following delivery trucks to see where the truck is dropping off packages.
- Please dial 911 to report crimes in progress, suspicious activity or for life threatening emergencies. If it is not an emergency, dial (415) 553-0123.







Definition of Community Policing

Community policing, or community-oriented policing, is a strategy of policing that focuses on police building ties and working closely with members of the communities.

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Homeless Outreach and Outreach to Drug Users:

Taraval Station has two officers that coordinate with city agencies to provide outreach and assistance to rehabilitate those who are dependent on illegal drugs and outreach to homeless individuals to connect them with resources and support.

Foot Patrols:

Taraval Station has 3 foot beat locations. These officers are assigned to Irving St, West Portal Ave and Ocean Ave.

Monthly Police Community Relations Meetings:

Community Meetings are going to be held continuously. Officers and sergeants also attend meetings with merchants groups, business groups, development authorities and others. Concerns are voiced and addressed through problem solving. These meeting will be on the third Tuesday of each month.

Email Updates:

Taraval Station will send out newsletter updates to residents in the District that alerts residents of crime trends, upcoming community events, crime prevention tips, and information on how to contact officers at the District Station.





Make the right call. Keep 9-1-1 available for emergencies.

9-1-1

Police, Fire & Medical Available 24/7

Is there a danger to life, property or the environment?

Is there a crime in progress?

Is someone having a medical emergency and needs immediate assistance?

Is there a fire?

If you answered YES to any of these questions, immediately call 9-1-1.

3-1-1

City Services & Information Available 24/7

Police reports for crimes not in progress such as:

-Auto Burglaries

-Petty Theft

-Vandalism

Report graffiti, potholes, abandoned vehicles, or blocked driveways.

Garbage and recycling services

Street and park maintenance

Property Tax Payments

Birth Certificates

Marriage Licenses

Business Registration

415-553-0123 Police Non-Emergency Assistance Available 24/7

Noise complaints

Loitering

Citizen standby

MAKE THE RIGHT CALL	KEEP 9-1-1 AVAILABLE FOR EMERGENCIES	
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call 9-1-1.	 Street and park maintenance Property Tax Payments Birth Certificates Marriage Licenses Business Registration 	MAKETHERIGHTCALLSF.ORG





Join The S.F.P.D. - San Francisco's Finest

The San Francisco Police Department welcomes dedicated men and women to join us in serving our City. I encourage you to apply to become one of San Francisco's finest.

The City and County of San Francisco invites you to join a highly respected police department and serve the citizens of one of the most beautiful cities in the country. San Francisco Police Officers perform a wide variety of duties to promote public safety and security, prevent crime and enforce the law. Police officers perform a number of essential functions. For example, they patrol districts to prevent and detect crime; respond to calls for assistance; conduct criminal investigations; interact

with the community to build cooperation and support; pursue and arrest suspects; enforce traffic and parking laws; write reports and maintain records; work with superiors, peers, and others as a team; prepare for and participate in planned events; prepare for court and give testimony; and fulfill other administrative duties when required. This is much more than a job; it is an opportunity to build a career of which you can be proud.

Applying is Easy!

- Apply with the City and County of San Francisco at (Entry Level (Q-2) Police Officer) Go to www.nationaltestingnetwork.com, choose law enforcement, and register to take the San Francisco exam (\$45). Financial assistance is available.
- 2. Choose an available exam date that's convenient for you.
- 3. Schedule your exam.

Have Questions? Contact the San Francisco Police Department Recruitment Unit

1245 3rd Street, 5th Floor, San Francisco, CA 94158 Phone: 415-837-7245 Fax: 415-575-6095



The San Francisco Police Department values diversity in its workforce, and is committed to fair and equal treatment of all applicants for employment. Discrimination on the basis of sex, race, religion, color, national origin, ancestry, disability, medical condition, marital status, sexual orientation, or other protected categories is prohibited and unlawful.





The SFPD wants to hear from YOU.

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We are committed to excellence in law enforcement and are dedicated to the people, traditions and diversity of our City. Our mission is to provide service with understanding, response with compassion, performance with integrity and law enforcement with vision.

We welcome your comments. Let us know how we're doing, what we could be doing better and your thoughts on how your police department can work more closely with the community we proudly serve.

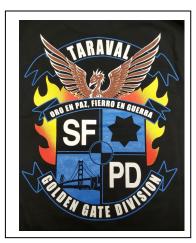
Visit us at <u>sanfranciscopolice.org/feedback</u>. Your feedback will help SFPD better serve our City. Comments will be reviewed by our Community Engagement Unit and forwarded to the relevant unit, department office or neighborhood station for review and follow up, if appropriate.

(If this is an emergency, please call 911. For non-emergencies, call 415-553-0123. You may also visit <u>http://sanfranciscopolice.org/police-commendation-complaint</u> for more information on providing input on SFPD policies and practices.)



SFPD RESOURCES

EMERGENCY: 911 Non-Emergency: 553-0123 Cell Phone 911: 911 / 553-8090 Customer Service Center: 311 SFPD Tip Line: 575-4444 Taraval Station Tip-Line 242-9753 Chinese Tip Line: 315-2435 Text a Tip: 847411 (Tip 411) Blessing Scam Hotline: 553-9219 Graffiti Abatement: 850-6951



TARAVAL STATION RESOURCES

Taraval Station: 759-3100 Captain Nicholas Rainsford: 759-3100 - nicholas.rainsford@sfgov.org Patrol Lieutenants: 759-3100 Taraval Administration & Community Sgt.: 759-3120 – Sgt. Lynn Pomatto Taraval Permits/ Code Abatement: 759-3123 – Officer Matt Faliano Neighborhood Deputy District Attorney: 553-1752 - Jack Shannon Website: www.taraval.org / Taraval Station E-mail: SFPDTaravalStation@sfgov.org To Reserve Our Community Room: taravalcommunityroom@sfgov.org

OTHER RESOURCES

Dept. of Parking & Traffic: 553-1943 DPW Dispatch 695-2020 S.A.F.E. 553-1984

ALL EMERGENCY CALLS: 911

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