



Blow For Safety!

Always carry your safety whistle

- ✓ Blow your whistle when you spot danger
- ✓ Call 9-1-1 when someone else is in trouble

As a community: We take care of each other

Become a Hero

If you can **walk** for 3 hours once a month, **watch** for trouble, and **call** the police you can help make the Castro a safer place to live, work & play. Check the Website for the next training date.



castro community on patrol

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Since the time of Harvey Milk, organizations have distributed whistles in the Castro to help keep each other safe. Carry your whistle in case of an assault or a robbery or if you find yourself trapped after an earthquake or fire. In a community, we take care of each other.

Blow in short, sharp bursts:

- 3 tweets (over and over) for “SOS”
- 1 tweet for “yes” or 2 tweets for “no” if working with rescuers

Robbery or Assault

Get your whistle ready if you sense approaching danger. Use it if you think that a sudden noise may distract an attacker or attract help. If you are already attacked, use your judgment about whether the whistle will help or hurt your situation. If you see someone else in trouble, blow your whistle to distract the perpetrator, giving the victim time.

Become “Street Smart”

Pay attention to avoid danger:

- Stay in lighted areas; stick with the crowd after bars close
- Watch for lurkers in driveways or behind bushes

- If robbed, cooperate to the extent of not being harmed
- Watch for weapons like guns or knives
- Run like hell at your first chance—don’t try to “get even”

Report Every Crime

Let the police know there is trouble. Don’t wait until the next day. Call 911. Stay observant. Press charges. As a witness, keep a safe distance. Describe assailants:

- Number of people involved and their roles
- Height, body type, race, clothing, hair color and style
- License number and description of vehicle(s)
- Direction of escape and method (foot, car, bicycle, etc.)

Important Phone Numbers

Police non Emergency: 415.553.0123

SF City Services: 311 or 415.701.2311

CUAV 24-hour Victim Crisis Line: 415.333.HELP (4357)

SF District Attorney’s Victim Services: 415.553.9044

Triangle Martial Arts Assoc.: 415.495.7888

SF Mobile Crisis: 415.355.8300