

# CASTRO COMMUNITY PATROL

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# CCOP PATROL REPORT: SATURDAY 04/04/2015 Roving Foot Patrol (RFP) - 23:00-02:00

SFPD OVERTIME 10b OFFICER ASSIGNED: Officer John Vankoll, Star 515

#### **CONDITIONS:**

Clear skies, chilly, temperature in mid 40s. The number of people in the streets was very small, considering it was a Saturday evening. When the clubs closed at 2 AM, moderate numbers of people emerged, suggesting that the cold temperatures were reducing the number of people milling about outside. The 10B officer informed us that he technically needed to end his patrol at 2 AM because he had already reached his maximum number of hours. He agreed to stay later if there were large crowds at bar closing time, but the small numbers suggested that we would not need his services past 2 AM.

Since the 10B officer normally worked in the Fisherman's Wharf area, we supplied him with a CCOP radio and agreed to walk with him for the first 30 minutes to acquaint him with the areas most likely to need attention. The attendant at the Chevron station was unable to locate the 10B duty phone, so we exchanged personal mobile numbers to supplement the CCOP radio for later contact.

## **NOTABLE INCIDENTS:**

- 21:50 HRS, Start of Patrol at Chevron Station, Market and Castro Streets.
- 22:20 HRS, Castro Theatre Parking Lot Street, Lights Out: The lights are still not working at the parking lot, despite numerous 3-1-1 calls dating back to at least 26-MAR-15. CCOP Patroller was talking with PSP Officer Fitzinger in the southeast corner of the lot. We introduced the 10B officer to Officer Fitzinger, who were known to each other from previous work. We explained to the 10B officer our concern about safety related to the dark lot and some of the previous suspicious activities noted in the lot in the previous 10 days of total darkness.
- 23:30 HRS 18th and Castro Street report of assault (240): A WMA wearing a red jacket and red baseball cap quickly approached the intersection, and seeing us reported that an unknown subject had threatened him on 18th Street. He refused to provide any description of the subject, and guickly made an exit northbound on Castro Street. His demeanor suggested that he was intoxicated (811). The 10B officer checked his radio to see whether any reports of assault had been reported to dispatch. They indicted a B priority call was pending. We proceeded to walk eastbound on 18th Street and were met with by a WMA in front of the Starbucks location, 4094 18th Street. He reported that he had been parking in front of the Castro Country Club (4058 18th Street) to assist the removal of equipment used by people holding an event at that location when a stranger came up to his car, hitting it on the trunk for no apparent reason and threatening (650) bodily harm. When asked to describe the person, he provided a description that matched the person we had just encountered. This person had made the 911 call. He reported that there was no damage to his car nor physical battery, so he was unwilling to file any charges.
- 23:35 HRS, Loitering Walgreens Parking Lot: While checking the lot, we found a person sitting in the driver's seat of a car in the northwest corner of the lot. As the MTA has asked us to enforce the no-trespassing rules concerning both municipal lots as there have been a large number of car break-ins in these lots. Dir. Hill spoke with the occupant. They explained that they were waiting for someone who was picking up a prescription inside the Walgreen's store. We allowed the person to wait for their partner.
- 23:37 HRS, Abandoned Vehicle, Walgreens Parking Lot: The vehicle collecting parking tickets reported in Friday's patrol is still present. We asked the 10B officer to "run" the plate (California plate **California**) to see whether the vehicle had been reported as stolen. The plate came back as "10-32, no reports at this time".

- 23:40 HRS, Collingwood and 18th Street, Separate from 10B officer: The 10B officer had been given sufficient background on the normal trouble spots, so the CCOP team separated from him.
- 23:42 HRS, 4300 18th Street, Wellbeing Check: A OMA was found sleeping next to the US Post office on the Collingwood Street side. We checked on his wellbeing and offered to call HOT for a shelter bed. He indicated that he was well and refused the HOT call.
- 23:50 HRS, 400 Castro Street, Muni Station, Intoxicated Person (811): A WMA was found passed out/sleeping at the top of the steps of the Muni station in Harvey Milk Plaza. We called PSP to ask for backup. During the time that we were placing the call, we were able to rouse the individual, who was then able to stand on his own. He refused medical service and proceeded to walk unsteadily southbound on Castro Street. We cancelled the PSP call for service.
- **00:18 HRS, 400 Castro Street, Harvey Milk Plaza, Smoking:** A WMA was found sitting on the sidewalk on the upper level of the plaza about midway along the plaza area. He was smoking a cigarette. We explained the city ordinance that prohibited smoking within the plaza, and agreed to move out of the plaza area to finish his cigarette.
- 01:17 HRS, 2337 Market Street, Intoxicated Persons (811): While walking westbound on Market Street, we found 2 WFA sitting on the street curb between two parked cars. Both were obviously intoxicated. They stated that they were waiting for an Uber ride. We asked that they move from the curb to the adjoining building to wait because there was a danger of being run over by either of the parked cars if the drivers would return and not notice them. They agreed to stand up and wait by the business.
- 01:19 HRS, 2344 Market Street, Beaux Bar, Intoxicated Person (811): We noticed a WMA standing near the exit of the bar with blood on his face. We approached to see whether he needed any medical attention. He refused service as a known acquaintance approached to report that he had been ejected from the bar for being too intoxicated. The friend was allowed back into the bar to retrieve the first person's belongings and assured us that he would take responsibility to assist his friend in finding a safe way home.
- 01:22 HRS, 2300 Market Street, Trespassing (601): While encouraging the business to become part of Castro Business Watch, we were informed that there was a problem with people using their parking lot behind the building for various criminal activities. We recommended that they post a MPC25 no-trespassing sign so that the SFPD could take action, but were told that their corporate rules did not allow them to do so. However, they do have a generic "No Trespassing" sign in the parking area. We found a car with 4 mixed-race occupants, mid 20s inside.

We pointed out that they were parked directly below the "No Trespassing" sign, and they explained that they are "just leaving".

- 01:45 HRS, Jane Warner Plaza, bar closing: We posted near the Chevron Station as there is often unruly behavior as the bars close. People are coming from the clubs on Market Street and those on Castro Street to hail cabs, find Uber/Lift rides, or locate friends and various types of issues arise. However, this night was peaceful.
- 01:50 HRS, 10B Officer Ends Shift: The officer checked to see whether his presence was needed past the 2 AM time. We gave him permission to leave, as the number of people in the neighborhood was much lower than a normal Saturday evening.

## 02:05 HRS End of Patrol

#### OTHER ITEMS OF NOTE:

• Passing Calls: During the patrol we made passing calls at Badlands, Q-Bar, 440 Bar, 7-11 Store and the liquor store at Market and Castro. We also checked Collingwood Park, Pink Triangle Park, and both municipal parking lots.