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**CCOP PATROL REPORT: SATURDAY
08/15/2015 Roving Foot Patrol (RFP) -
23:00-02:00**

PATROLLERS:

- 1.07-0054 Chf. Greg Carey (62 Patrol credits YTD)
- 2.09-0085 DChf. Brian Hill (30 Patrol credits YTD)
- 3.15-0242 TPItr. Charles Oliver (2 of 4 required supervised patrols)

CCOP Patrollers have donated a total of 915 hours to the community year to date.

CASTRO CARES SFPD 10b OFFICER: 10b Officer was expected but no-one showed up.

CONDITIONS:

Smokey conditions from area wild fires with warm temperature ranging from 65 to 70 degrees with high humidity. There were relatively large numbers of people in the streets. The crowd was well behaved for the most part with more people sleeping on sidewalks than in recent weeks.

NOTABLE INCIDENTS:

•23:00 HRS Start of Patrol

- **23:19 HRS, South West Corner of EVNA Ball Field, Well Being Check (910):** OMA about 30 years old under an orange sleeping bag near the ball park fence. His name (██████) was known to DChf. Hill who first checked on the need for medical help and then offered to call the HOT team van. The subject refused services. DChf. Hill spoke with him about various options for services and he seemed somewhat interested. We gave him the contact card for Homeless Connect and suggested that he give them a call the next day.
- **23:22 HRS, 4200 Block of 19th Street, Intoxicated Person (811):** We noted an automobile with the passenger door open parked on the south side of the ball field. There were 3 WMA kneeling next to the vehicle. The one in the center of the group was vomiting into the gutter. The other two individuals did not appear to be overly intoxicated and said they would care for the other man. We confirmed that the intoxicated male did know the other two people and that he trusted that they would care for him. All 3 thanked us for our concern and confirming that they were known to each other.
- **23:25 Hrs, 4102 19th Street, Well Being Check (910):** A WMA in his 50s was sleeping on the sidewalk next to Daddy's Barber Shop. We asked whether he needed medical help or a call to the HOT van. He declined both offers. We asked if he was aware of the services available through various city agencies and he stated that he was from Kentucky and not aware of all of the services. We provided a contact card for Homeless Connect. While we were speaking with him, he was in the process of putting on his shoes. We explained that we were not asking him to move, as the Civil Sidewalks ordinance allows sleeping after 11:00 PM. He thanked us for offering to help.

- **23:34 HRs, 544 Castro Street, Breaking and Entering (602):** We were hailed down in front of P.O. Plus (584 Castro) by a reporting party (909) BMA named **David** in his mid to late 20s who was quite shaken. He explained that he has been staying in the vacant building at 544 Castro Street, which formerly housed the Dante's Table restaurant as a caretaker while the building is unoccupied. He had been in the rear of the building and heard a loud crash from the front. We had him demonstrate that he was authorized to be there by showing us a key that fit and unlocked the front door. We confirmed that the lightweight hardware that secured the door had been damaged, allowing the door to be forced open. The 909 reported that as he came from the back of the building he noticed an individual who was inside the building illegally. We asked for a description. He was reluctant at first to offer one because he did not want to be responsible for "racial profiling". We assured him that using race to describe a suspect was not profiling, but a way to identify the person. He then described a tall and huskily built BMA wearing a grey windbreaker and black beanie. When the subject saw the 909, he bolted out the front door through which he had just broken and entered and proceeded to run southbound on Castro Street. We first called PSP Fitzinger who agreed to respond, but he then called back to say that he had been diverted to one of his paying clients. Officer Fitzinger arrived at the location a short time later after taking care of his client's issue. We called the non-emergency number to report the burglary. The call-taker raised the priority to "B" and a radio request was made for a patrol car, but none was available. SFPD called Chf. Carey back at 03:00, who was home by then, to ask if he was still at the address. Since no one was available he was advised that the responsible party could call back to file a report. **David** texted Chf. Carey the following day, stating that he still wanted to file a report. Instructions were provided to contact non-emergency and to pull up the CAD number from the night before.
- **23:50 HRs, Mid 19th Street, Disturbing the Peace (415):** While working with the reporting party concerning the 602, a citizen approached to complain of loud music. He was convinced that the Badlands Bar was responsible, as his home was opposite the bar on 19th Street. PSP Officer Fitzinger called the PSP officer at the Badlands to request that they reduce the volume on their music because of the complaint. The reporting party left, but returned in a few minutes to report that the noise was not coming from the Badlands, but rather from the rear of a private home on Collingwood

Street. We advised him to call the police, as noise complaints require that a resident make the complaint before a police car could be dispatched.

- **00:08 HRs, 518A Castro Street, Possible Verbal Fight (418):** As we left the 602 incident, we heard what seemed like an angry argument coming from the entry of the former Body Shop. As we approached and asked what was going on, we were told that the two WMA (mid 40s) were good friends who were simply having a loud but friendly conversation after a few drinks.
- **00:10 HRs, 401 Castro Street, On-view possible ATM Fraud Suspects (470):** We walked past the ATM plaza at the Bank of America to see if the team of thieves who have been stealing cash from ATM customers by memorizing their PINs were pulling their caper. DChf. Hill recognized 2 BMAs near the bus stop for the northbound 24 line as 2 of the 3 individuals that he had witnessed on Wednesday obtaining cash illegally. We used our body cameras to attempt to get a photo of the subjects to become part of the investigation with the bank and the police concerning these ongoing thefts.
- **00:16 HRs, Castro Theatre Parking Lot, Trespass (601):** A car was parked in the handicapped spot. While it did properly display a blue handicapped placard, there was a WFA sitting in the passenger seat, potentially breaking the city rule about not being allowed to loiter in the lot after parking the car. We explained the rule and she replied that the driver of the car was returning shortly and they planned to leave. The driver did arrive in a few minutes and they exited the lot.
- **00:20 HRs, 407 Castro Street, Open Container (21):** 3 WMA in their early 20s were hanging out near the bus shelter. One had an open container of alcohol. We asked that they pour the alcohol out and properly dispose of the empty bottle.
- **00:25 HRs, 2355 Market Street, Unknown Solicitors, possible Trespass (601):** There were approximately 10 people with clipboards in front of the Coldwell Banker business. In addition to the people there were several small tables and folding chairs along the building. We asked their purpose, and they stated that they were doing research project for a professor in Oakland, and that they would be at this location 2 or 3 times during the month. We pointed

out that the Realtor had posted an MPC25 No Trespassing sign and it would be advisable to get permission for future times if they wanted to use the space.

- **00:31 HRs, 2301 Market Street, Bike Riding on Sidewalk:** A WMA mid 20s rode his bicycle westbound on Market Street Sidewalk. We asked him to walk his bike on the sidewalk or to use the bicycle lanes painted on the street. He politely complied.
- **00:36 HRs, 1 Jose Sarria Ct. Parking Lot, Trespass (601):** We noticed that a BMA in his late 40s to 50s lying in the parking lot at the south end of the Harvey Milk Library building. His feet were near the gate, but his head was well into the parking area, sloping downhill from his feet. We were able to arouse him after some effort. He appeared to be in an Altered Mental State (AMS) and quite incoherent. We asked if he needed medical and he angrily said that he did not. We offered to call the HOT van and he again refused. We explained that the library did not allow trespassing on their grounds. He angrily picked up his belongings and moved along. He was barefoot.
- **00:39 HRs, 3500 Block 16th Street, Wellbeing Checks (910):** Two couples, with 1 WMA and 1 WFA each were camped in front of the library on the sidewalk. Since they were not on the library property, they were not trespassing, and the Civil Sidewalks rules against sleeping were not in force. We checked to see if anyone needed medical attention or if they wanted us to call HOT. They refused services.
- **00:46 HRs, Pond at 17th Street, Lights Repaired:** We confirmed that DChf. Hill's visit to the Sheriff Deputy at the City medical clinic had corrected the lighting problem on the Pond side of the building. The lights on this facility provide most of the street lighting at the south end of Pond. The lights were again working. We suspect that they will fail again at some point, and have found that 311 has no access to open a support ticket to bring correction so we must work with the Sheriff staff.
- **00:48 HRs, 3900 17th Street, Graffiti on Building (595):** 3 or 4 large graffiti tags were on the side of the building facing 17th Street. A ticket was opened with 311 using the phone app: 5002472

- **00:53 HRs, Ford at Noe Streets, Graffiti on Sidewalk (595):** A tag had been painted on the corner of the sidewalk on the southeast corner of the intersection. A ticket was opened with 311 using the phone app: 5044473
- **01:09 HRs, Walgreens Parking Lot, Car Illegally Parked (587):** A car (7DNF687) was parked in a spot reserved for the City Share cars. We left a CCOP notice on the windshield.
- **01:11 HRs, 470 Castro (in Walgreens lot), Graffiti on Building (595):** A large tag was on the side of the building that fronts on Castro Street, but extends to the parking lot. A ticket was opened with 311 using the phone app: 5002485
- **01:15 HRs, 4121 18th Street, Assault (240):** While finishing the parking lot check, DChf. Hill heard a police radio call for an assault at Badlands Bar. We moved to the front of the bar and PSP Officer Shankar had 2 WMA subjects detained and 2 WFA victims separated on opposite sides of the sidewalk. We backed the officer to prevent parties from leaving the scene until officer Fitzinger could arrive on scene. One of the females claimed that one of the males had hit her in the face for no apparent reason. Eventually a squad car arrived and placed the male under arrest for public intoxication. The victim might also press charges for the battery.
- **01:29 HRs, 499 Castro Street, Attempted Purse Snatch (212):** As we were patrolling on the western side of the 400 block of Castro Street, we heard yelling from the other side of the street. We quickly but safely crossed the street. There were 3 BFA victims and 2 WMA suspects moving southbound on Castro Street and then proceeding eastbound on 18th Street. The suspects were quickly running down the street and were out of sight before we could get to the scene. The 3 victims were angry, but had been able to recover their property. The reported that one of the men had attempted to pull the purse from one of the victim's shoulders, but that their loud screams and the help of the other two women had recovered the purse with no missing property.
- **01:33 HRs, Castro Parking Lot, Auto Locked in Lot (587):** Three BMAs were seen trying to open the metal gates on the parking lot. When asked what they were doing, they pointed at a car inside the lot and said that it was their car and wanted it back. They were from

Eastbay and suddenly realized that they were now in The City for the evening with no transportation. We pointed to the large sign on the gate that stated that the lot was closed from 1:00 AM until 7:00 AM every day. They asked for a number that they could call to get their car released. We explained that there was no number, but the car had not been towed, which would save them several hundred dollars in the long run. We also mentioned that we had video of them and suggested that they not damage the gate in an attempt to free the car before the 7 AM unlocking.

- **01:40 HRs, 2300 Block Market Street, Various Streetlights Burned Out:** We noted that Market Street has become very dark because of the large number of streetlights no longer working. We have submitted numerous 311 tickets in the past, but they do not seem to help get the lights fixed. From the single location in front of the Chevron gas station, we could see that all 3 of the lights were out in front of Pottery Barn, 2 or the 3 lights out in front of Catch, 2 of the 3 lights out in front of Café, and 2 of the 3 lights out in front of Bisou. A ticket was opened with 311 using the phone app: 5002496
- **01:43 HRs, 2301 Market Street, Bike Riding on Sidewalk:** A BMA mid 30s rode his bicycle westbound through the crowd on the sidewalk in front of the Café, We asked him to either walk his bike on the sidewalk or move to the bicycle lanes that have been painted on either side of Market Street. He did dismount from the bike, but proceed to yell offensive language at us as he moved past the Chevron station toward 17th Street. He felt we were being rude and that there was no harm in riding through pedestrians, etc, etc. He was still shouting at us as he turned past the station.
- **01:59 HRs, 428 Castro Street, Illegal Hot Dog Vendor:** 2 hot dog carts with a LMA and LFA were set up in south of the bus shelter. We asked to see their health permit, and they told us that they did not have one. We asked them to remove their carts from the area. They reluctantly did so.
- **02:01 Hrs, 434 Castro Street, Wellbeing Check (910):** A WMA, late 40s/50s was lying face down on the sidewalk with his coat covering his head. He appeared to be unconscious. We spoke loudly to him and he immediately was roused. We asked whether he needed medical attention, and he said that he did not, and immediately stood up and walked away.

- **02:03 Hrs, 444 Castro Street, Illegal Hot Dog Vendor:** Another hot dog cart attended by a LMA was noted, which was a different operator than the 2 in the previous incident. We asked whether he had a health permit, and he replied in Spanish and suggested that he spoke no English and did not understand the question. Since DChf. Hill speaks fluent Spanish, he had a detailed conversation with the subject and advised that he should leave the area or we would need to contact SFPD to have his equipment confiscated.
- **00:30 HRS, END OF PATROL**

OTHER ITEMS OF NOTE:

Passing Calls: During the patrol we made passing calls at Café, Badlands, Q-Bar, 440 Bar, Edge, Beaux and the 7-11 Store. We also made checks of Collingwood Park, the Library on 17th and Pond, and both municipal parking lots.