

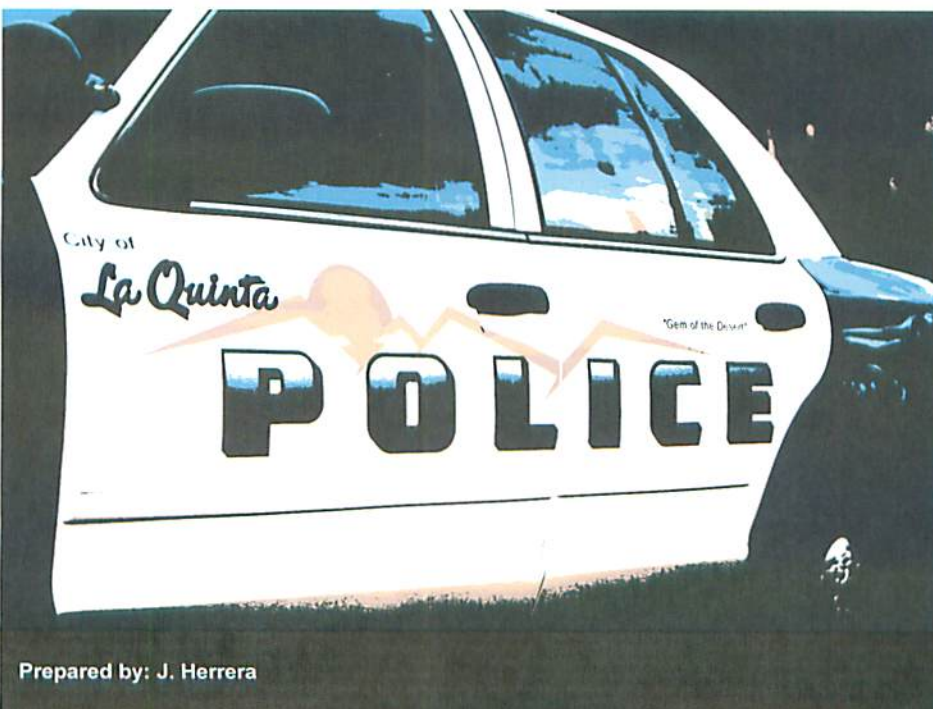
QUARTERLY REPORT



Served by the Riverside County Sheriff's Department

July - September 2014

This quarterly police report was prepared by the La Quinta Police for the Honorable Mayor, City Council and the Citizens of La Quinta. The report contains crime statistics and average response times along with La Quinta Special Teams summaries of activity for the quarter.



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Message from the Assistant Chief

The women and men of your police department have kept very busy during this past quarter. The severe weather conditions and flooding we experienced posed a grave danger to our citizens and brought the significant loss of public and private property. In little less than one hour, nine intersections were blocked by flood water throughout the cove district. Effectively isolating our neighborhoods with flooding, the rain quickly made key driving routes impassable. I reflect proudly upon our citizens and the individual efforts they made to help our police officers and city workers as we collectively faced down this natural disaster. I am appreciative for the courtesy and understanding our officers received from motorists as they patiently navigated around the affected areas.



The crime trends from July, August, and September indicate significant reductions for incidents of theft, burglary, aggravated assaults, and vehicle thefts. I continue to monitor the incidents of robbery, as that metric has taken a sharp increase over the same period in 2013. Looking at some of the many factors which contribute to crimes, I have asked the Special Enforcement Team and Investigations Bureau about recent robberies. I've learned, while an increase number of robberies has occurred, we are not experiencing a string of connected crimes. Furthermore, the aggressive deployment and investigative stride of our special units quickly closes the majority of cases with apprehension. In short, La Quinta doesn't maintain a back log of "cold cases."

I want to continue the involvement of our citizens for the areas of crime prevention. I feel an important strategy will always be a combination of aggressive police deployment to combat emergent issues and citizen awareness. The La Quinta Police will continue spending their time reaching outward as we look for ways to create a formidable presence against criminals. My office will continue offering citizen training seminars in crime prevention and environmental designs aimed at reducing attractiveness to criminals.

David Walton

Assistant Chief of Police, City of La Quinta

Average Response Time

Average Response Times and Calls for Service

Total Yearly Average

Jurisdiction	Type	May		June		July		August		September		Total Yearly Average			
		2013	2014	2013	2014	2013	2014	2013	2014	2013	2014	2012	2013	2014*	
La Quinta Police Dept.	Priority 1	Average Response	5.68	4.84	4.43	5.34	4.20	4.58	14.07	4.01	8.20	5.06	5.56	6.18	5.09
		Calls for Service	14	18	19	16	13	24	20	19	15	25	197	214	182
	Priority 2	Average Response	12.61	14.46	12.19	12.56	12.39	13.06	17.22	11.99	11.54	17.40	12.38	12.37	13.49
		Calls for Service	558	581	467	541	556	534	526	535	504	574	6,319	6,167	4,772
	Priority 3	Average Response	17.36	19.14	18.58	18.39	19.02	18.20	23.26	18.01	18.77	19.79	18.29	18.73	19.46
		Calls for Service	463	496	386	446	403	465	403	484	390	577	4,673	4,962	4,395
Priority 4	Average Response	22.42	21.91	23.16	21.86	21.15	20.19	28.01	18.11	23.35	29.53	23.15	23.46	23.69	
	Calls for Service	273	290	229	222	262	228	236	218	208	202	3,306	3,034	2,388	
Pri. 1-4 Total Average Response		16.26	17.57	16.58	16.28	16.33	16.11	21.37	15.25	16.22	19.95	16.65	16.81	17.67	
Pri. 1-4 Total Calls for Service		1,308	1,385	1,101	1,225	1,234	1,251	1,185	1,256	1,117	1,378	14,495	14,377	11,737	

* YTD total Average

Crime Statistics

CRIME-SEPT	2014	2013
AGGRAVATED ASSAULTS	1	5
BURGLARY	21	33
BURGLARY-VEHICLE	4	11
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE	12	13
HOMICIDE	0	0
NARCOTICS VIOLATIONS	14	17
ROBBERY	3	0
ROBBERY CAR-JACKING	0	0
SEX CRIME FELONY	0	1
SEX CRIME MISD	0	1
SIMPLE ASSAULTS	2	7
THEFT	44	70
VEHICLE THEFT	4	4

JULY, AUG, SEPT CTYD	2014	2013
AGGRAVATED ASSAULTS	9	11
BURGLARY	75	105
BURGLARY-VEHICLE	10	35
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE	37	29
HOMICIDE	0	0
NARCOTICS VIOLATIONS	38	52
ROBBERY	11	4
ROBBERY CAR-JACKING	0	0
SEX CRIME FELONY	5	5
SEX CRIME MISD	2	2
SIMPLE ASSAULTS	11	25
THEFT	185	234
VEHICLE THEFT	18	21

CRIME-JULY	2014	2013
AGGRAVATED ASSAULTS	3	2
BURGLARY	26	44
BURGLARY-VEHICLE	3	12
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE	15	8
HOMICIDE	0	0
NARCOTICS VIOLATIONS	13	16
ROBBERY	5	3
ROBBERY CAR-JACKING	0	0
SEX CRIME FELONY	4	1
SEX CRIME MISD	2	1
SIMPLE ASSAULTS	5	8
THEFT	78	87
VEHICLE THEFT	12	9

CRIME-AUGUST	2014	2013
AGGRAVATED ASSAULTS	5	4
BURGLARY	28	28
BURGLARY-VEHICLE	3	12
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE	10	8
HOMICIDE	0	0
NARCOTICS VIOLATIONS	11	19
ROBBERY	3	1
ROBBERY CAR-JACKING	0	0
SEX CRIME FELONY	1	3
SEX CRIME MISD	0	0
SIMPLE ASSAULTS	4	10
THEFT	63	77
VEHICLE THEFT	2	8

Special Enforcement Team



Quarterly Statistics for July, August & September

Type of Activity	Number of Incidents
Programs	1
Vehicle Stops	125
Pedestrian Checks	92
Investigative Follow-up	112
City Park Checks	29
Citations	17
Search Warrants	9
Probation /Parole Search	35
Arrest Warrant Served	21
Arrest - Felony	23
Arrest Misdemeanor	33
Property Value Recovered	\$16,200.00

Significant Activity for July-September 2014

On July 3 at 11:00 AM, the La Quinta Special Enforcement Team Officers served a property related search warrant at 44 Durango Circle in Rancho Mirage and recovered stolen property from a theft investigation that had occurred in February 2014 at 47530 Via Montego in La Quinta. At 3:00 PM, SET Officers served a second property related search warrant at 13875 Kay Street in Desert Hot Springs, and recovered additional stolen property. The crime occurred when the suspect, Katherine Richards (67 yrs of Rancho Mirage), defrauded the victim for more than \$10,000 in property. The search warrants yielded the majority of the property that was defrauded. The search warrant was authored by Officer Evan Kibbey. Criminal charges were filed for Richards, who is currently in living in Canada.

On August 8 at 11:00 AM, the La Quinta Special Enforcement Team Officers served a property related search warrant at 52415 Avenida Herrera. The warrant stemmed from several commercial burglaries at the La Quinta Ralphs where a suspect cashed fictitious recycle vouchers. SET Officer McAnallen identified Frederick Hanson (44 yrs of La Quinta), as the suspect. During the service of the search warrant, additional fictitious vouchers were located in Hanson's room. In addition to the vouchers, methamphetamine and drug paraphernalia were located. Ashley Williams, 25 years old from La Quinta, was arrested for possession of meth and paraphernalia and booked into the Indio Jail. Officer Chris McAnallen authored the search warrant. On August 22 12:00 PM, SET Officer Chris McAnallen conducted a follow-up investigation on the crime. He interviewed Frederick Hanson (48 yrs of La Quinta) at the Indio Jail. Based on the interview, Hanson was arrested for burglary, forgery, possession of personal information, and felon in possession of ammunition. This is a separate criminal case then what Hanson is currently being held on.

On September 9 at 4:00 PM, La Quinta Special Enforcement Team Officers conducted a follow-up investigation and surveillance operation on a suspect of an attempt murder incident from 081014 at 52295 Avenida Alvarado. The suspect, Tyler Allen Diaz, 23 yrs of La Quinta, assaulted the victim by shooting two arrows from a compound cross-bow. SET Officers located Diaz in the area of Calle Vallejo and Avenida Herrera. SET Deputy Cameron James completed a search warrant and interviewed Diaz. Diaz was booked into the Indio Jail for attempt murder.

Business District Unit



Officer Quezada & Corporal Reinbolz

Quarterly Statistics for July, August & September

Type of Activity	Number of Incidents
Programs	24
Vehicle Stops	22
Pedestrian Checks	41
Investigative Follow-up	93
Citations	3
Search Warrants	11
Probation /Parole Search	96
Business Checks/Meetings	168
Arrest Warrant Served	3
Arrest - Felony	7
Arrest Misdemeanor	6
Property Value Recovered	\$1,275.83

Significant Activity for July-September 2014

In July, August and September, La Quinta BDU participated in the Coffee with a Cop event at Panera Bread, Broken Yolk and Louise's Pantry in La Quinta. Officers were engaged in various topics of discussion with numerous residents over the course of the events. These Coffee with a Cop events allowed the public to meet with law enforcement personnel in a relaxed environment and talk about a wide range of issues.

In July, La Quinta BDU Officers served a search warrant on the 79100 block of Avenue 42 in the unincorporated area of Bermuda Dunes. The search warrant was related to a recent theft incident at the La Quinta Wal-Mart. Upon the service of the search warrant, Officers located small amounts of heroin and methamphetamine. Two suspects were arrested and for theft, fraudulent use of credit cards, possession of heroin, possession of methamphetamine, possession of drug paraphernalia, violation of felony probation, and committing a felony while on bail. Additionally, Riverside County Child Protective Services (CPS) was contacted and took custody of the two small children.

In August, La Quinta BDU Officers conducted a follow-up investigation regarding a robbery that occurred on July 25 outside of the La Quinta on the 79000 block of Highway 111 in the city of La Quinta. BDU Officers contacted the 43 years old suspect from Indio, at his business located on the 77000 block of Wildcat Drive in Palm Desert. The suspect was arrested and later booked into the Indio Jail for the robbery. BDU Officers later authored and served a robbery related search warrant for the suspect's residence on the 45000 block of Pelican Hill in the city of Indio.

In August, La Quinta BDU conducted a follow-up investigation regarding a credit card fraud at the Chevrolet Cadillac Dealership of La Quinta. The suspect used the victim's information to place an order for parts at the La Quinta Chevrolet dealership on August 27th, and was to retrieve them the next day. BDU identified the possible suspect and ultimately contacted the 38-year old male suspect in front of his residence on the 82000 block of Lordsburg Drive, Indio. He was arrested for the fraud, and a probation compliance check was completed at his residence. The suspect obtained the victim's credit card information while working as the owner of B&E Appliance Heating and Air Conditioning business in Indio. He was booked into the Indio Jail for identity theft and credit card fraud. Two weeks later, La Quinta BDU authored and served a property related search warrant on the 82000 block of Lordsburg Drive in the city of Indio. Again, the 38 year old suspect from Indio was arrested for a second identity theft and credit card fraud. In addition to the credit card fraud, the suspect was found to be operating his business under a state contractor's license number that does not belong to him. He was booked into the Indio Jail for the identity theft and fraud. Charges of violation of LA county probation and felony fraudulent use of a license number will be added to the DA filing. The California State Contractors License Board was also contacted.

In September, La Quinta BDU developed a Robbery and Burglary Suppression Program in the business district of La Quinta. During the program officers patrolled the area in marked and unmarked patrol units in effort to apprehend and/or deter crime in the city. The program was in response to an increase in commercial burglaries and robberies during the late night and early morning hours.

The above mentioned incidents are just a sample of the quarterly activity conducted by the La Quinta Business District Unit. Officers from BDU have conducted several investigations related to the La Quinta Highway 111 Business Corridor which have resulted in numerous arrests for thefts and frauds. La Quinta BDU will continue their pro-active and community oriented policing efforts throughout the city which will result in increased awareness and education within the business community in order to improve the quality of life for the business owners, shoppers, and residents of La Quinta.

Special Enforcement Team



La Quinta Traffic Team Officer Palmer, Corporal Olson, Officer Moore & Officer Scott

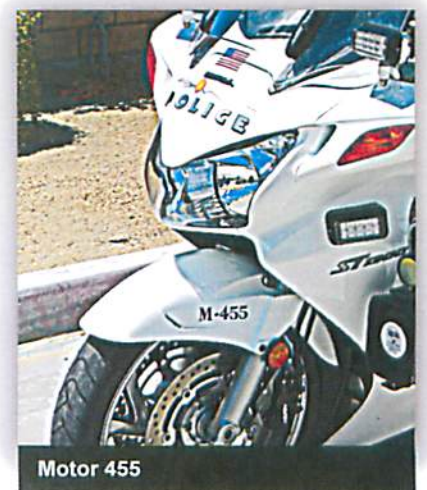
Type of Activity	Number of Incidents
Total Collisions	61
DUI Collisions	6
DUI Arrests	18
Seatbelt Citations	36
Total Hazard Citations	628
Total Injury Collisions	16
DUI Collisions with Injury	0
Citations Issued	1047
Excessive Speed Citations	356
Total Non-Hazard Citations	419

In July, the Traffic Services Team conducted holiday weekend DUI saturation enforcement to educate and enforce DUI laws in the city of La Quinta.

In July, the Traffic Services Team participated in motorcycle training in partnership with the Palm Desert Police Station to increase motorcycle riding skills, tactics and safety.

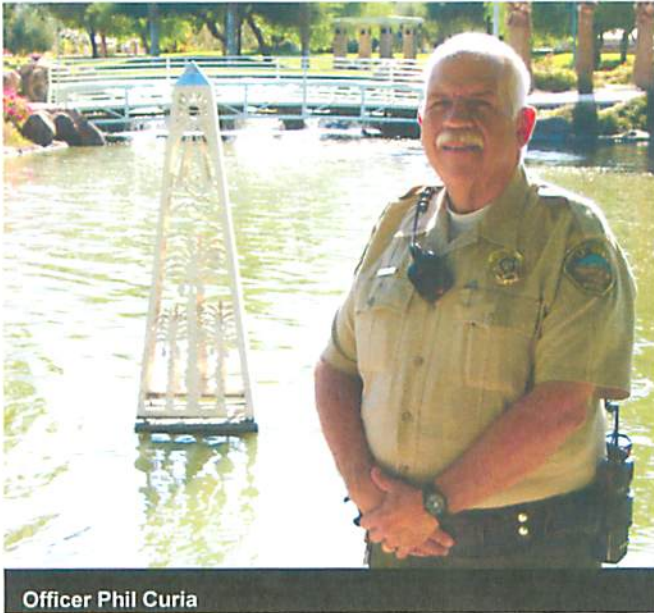
In August, the Traffic Services Team conducted "Avoid the 30" saturation patrols to enforce DUI driving violations.

In September, the Traffic Services Team conducted "Back to School" programs to promote driver awareness in the city of La Quinta operating motor vehicles in and around school zones. This program included a press release, a week of "warning and educating" drivers violating traffic laws in school zones and an enforcement period following the education period.



Motor 455

Crime Prevention Specialist



Officer Phil Curia

Type of Activity	# of Incidents
Reports	22
Calls for Service	15
Parking Citations	37
Towed Vehicles	7
Business Checks	1
Business Meetings	1
Community Events	3
CPTED Reviews	15

Quarterly Statistics for June, July and August 2014

In July, CSO Curia participated in the Coffee with a Cop program at Panera Bread.

In August, CSO Curia assisted in Coffee with a Cop program at The Broken Yolk

In August, CSO Curia participated in the Cadet Academy.

In September, CSO Curia participated in the Coffee with a Cop event at Louise's Pantry.

In September, CSO Curia participated in the quarterly business district meeting that was held at the Broke Yolk Café.

In September, CSO Curia participated in Stuff the Bus program.

Crime Prevention



Officer Jessica Herrera

- ◆ Crime Prevention Officer
- ◆ Community Program & Event Coordinator
- ◆ Citizens on Patrol Coordinator
- ◆ Social Media Administrator

In July, CSO Herrera prepared the calls for service, average response time and year to date crime comparison for the quarterly statistical report.

In July, CSO Herrera coordinated Coffee with a Cop at Panera Bread.

In August, CSO Herrera prepared the Gem article reference Recruitment for Volunteers.

In August, CSO Herrera assisted with the Cadet Academy.

In August, CSO Herrera attended a Crime Free Multi Housing training.

In August, CSO Herrera attended a Crime Prevention & Safety meeting at Codorniz community.

In August, CSO Herrera coordinated Coffee with a Cop event at Broken Yolk Cafe.

In September, CSO Herrera coordinated the Coffee with a Cop event at Louise's Pantry.

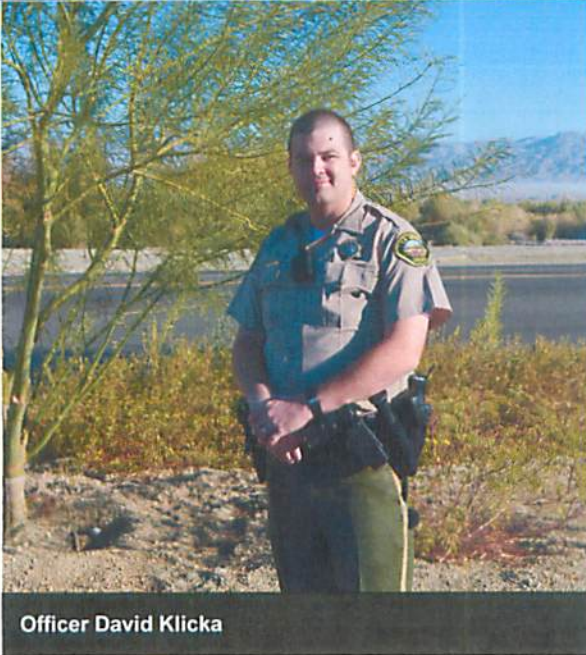
In September, CSO Herrera assisted the Business District Unit with a Business Watch & Crime Prevention presentation at Broken Yolk Cafe.

In September, CSO Herrera was appointed as the Citizens on Patrol coordinator.

In September, CSO Herrera prepared the GEM article on Safety Tips for Motorists in school zones.

In September, CSO Herrera assisted with "Stuff the Bus" event for teens in crisis.

School Resource Officer



Type of Activity	Number of Incidents
Reports	4
Arrest	2
D.A. Filings	2
Citations	1
Calls for Service	17
Pedestrian Check/Area Check/ Traffic Stop	15
Public Assists	5
Follow-up	2
Assist Other Agencies	0
5150 Evaluations	1

La Quinta Middle School, Harry Truman, Ben Franklin & John Adams Elementary

In July, SRO Klicka attended the National Association of School Resource Officers Conference, a training Seminar with multiple classes and topics involving School Safety and the sharing of information regarding issues a School Resource Officer may face.

In July, SRO Klicka investigated a report of two subjects "smoking and injecting themselves with drugs" SRO Klicka Arrested Kenneth Takata and Derek McGowan for Possession of a Controlled Substance, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia and Possession of a Controlled Substance for Sales.

In July, SRO Klicka Coordinated and ran the 9th Annual La Quinta Police Cadet Academy from July 21 to August 15. The Cadet Academy consisted of approximately 50 Middle School Aged Students and introduced them to the various facets of Public Service. SRO Klicka organized field trips and presentations to include: Presentations from the FBI, Riverside Juvenile Probation Department, American Medical Response, The Riverside County Sheriff's K9 Team, The Riverside County Sheriff's Narcotics Task Force, The Riverside County Sheriff's Gang Task Force, as well as a field trip to the Larson Justice Center, The Riverside County Sheriff's Range, and the Marine Corps Recruiting Depot in San Diego. SRO Klicka tried to instill the extremely important core values of Honor, Commitment and Integrity to the Cadets.

In September, SRO Klicka recovered a stolen Ipod Touch that was reported at the end of the previous school year.

School Resource Officer



Officer Rick Contreras

Type of Activity	Number of Incidents
Reports	5
Arrest	1
D.A. Filings	1
Citations	1
Calls for Service	17
Pedestrian Check/Area Check/ Traffic Stop	14
Public Assists	3
Follow-up	2
Assist Other Agencies	4
5150 Evaluations	1

La Quinta High School

In July & August, SRO Contreras assisted with the La Quinta Police Cadet Academy.

In August and September, SRO Contreras provided security for four Friday varsity football games.

In September, SRO Contreras contacted a student who was trying to leave school during class. SRO Contreras was able to determine the student had marijuana in his vehicle which was parked across the street at the La Quinta Park. SRO Contreras conducted a search of the vehicle and located the marijuana and over 1100 rounds of ammunition. The student told SRO Contreras the vehicle is shared with his father who went shooting over the weekend. SRO Contreras initiated Riverside County's Kids With Guns Protocol and went to the student's residence to search for evidence of suspicious activity and weapons. SRO Contreras spoke with the student's father who advised he did go shooting over the weekend and forgot to take the ammunition out of the vehicle prior to his son taking it to school. SRO Contreras determined the student and father were not a threat to the safety of the school. SRO Contreras filed charges against the student for possession of marijuana and being a minor in possession of a smoking device.

In September, SRO Contreras along with SRO Klicka took aerial photos of all schools within La Quinta city limits to include in Rapid Response Planning. SRO's Contreras and Klicka also took aerial photos of La Quinta City Hall and La Quinta Park to include in Rapid Response Planning.

In September, La Quinta SRO's were part of a resource fair put on by the Riverside County Probation Department. The resource fair consisted of multiple organizations for parents and students to go and inquire on various services for their youth.

School Resource Officer



Officer Mike Hernandez

Type of Activity	Number of Incidents
Reports	3
Arrest	0
D.A. Filings	0
Citations	0
Calls for Service	4
Pedestrian Check/Area Check/ Traffic Stop	2
Public Assists	1
Follow-up	2
Assist Other Agencies	0
5150 Evaluations	0

Summit High School & Colonel Paige Middle School

In July, SRO Hernandez assisted with the Cadet Academy.

In September, SRO Hernandez assisted with traffic control for the recent flood.

In September, SRO Hernandez assisted with the football games at La Quinta High School.

Community Service Officers

Patrol Community Service Officers:

- ◆ Aaron Aceves
- ◆ Alma Fregoso
- ◆ Dave Kruger
- ◆ Candy Munoz



Community Service Officers

Type of Activity	Number of Incidents
Burglary Reports	10
Grand/Petty Theft Reports	24
Vandalism/ Malicious Mischief Reports	5
Traffic Collision Response/Reports	51
Vehicle Code or Parking Citations	107
Abandoned Vehicle Tagged/Warning	10
Towed Vehicles	17
Lost or Found Property Reports	8
Custodial/Non-custodial Transports	85
Miscellaneous Calls	37

Volunteers



La Quinta Volunteers & Citizens on Patrol

Type of Activity	# of Incidents
Crime Free Multi-Housing	306
Business Checks	541
Community Events	3
Neighborhood Patrol	660
Traffic Collision Response	9
Extra Patrol	145
Total Patrol Hours	574
Monthly Volunteer Hours	413
CPO Monthly Visits	129
Quarterly Savings	\$31,229.00

Summary of Activity for July, August & September 2014

We currently have 9 active office volunteers who staff and maintain the Civic Center Community Policing Office. These volunteers conduct a variety of clerical functions as well as data entry of citations, traffic collisions and DUI's, parking citations and pawn slips. They also play an important role with assisting the community with questions and concerns.

We have 12 Citizens on Patrol (COP) volunteers who assist with patrol operations in the business district and La Quinta neighborhoods. This quarter the COP assisted officers with traffic control for the La Quinta High School football games, DUI checkpoints, traffic collision assistance, vacation checks and traffic control during the recent storm.



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