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The Huntington Beach Neighborhood Watch Program (HBNW) **fiscal year** is from July 1 to June 30 each year. We have estimated we will need approximately \$24,300 this year to cover the various HBNW program expenses which include, but are not limited to, newsletter assembly, distribution costs, returned postage, mailing labels, etc. From the start of our fiscal year to now, we have received **\$10,463.31 in donations and newsletter advertisements— we have \$13,836.69 to go by June 30, 2015.** The HBNW Board thanks you and our advertisers for your support and generous donations. An \$8 donation pays for each subscriber's distribution costs; a \$10 donation helps with these costs and other needed expenses and puts your name in the Newsletter as a contributor; and a \$25 or more donation accomplishes the above, plus you will receive a HBNW sticker and a token of appreciation. Remember, HBNW is a non-profit organization; **donations are tax deductible.**

As a resident of the city, we encourage you to review the HBNW program budget and expenses.

We strongly suggest you sign up to receive your Newsletter either **electronically** or through the mail. The Newsletter has valuable crime prevention information and crime statistics. Donations are not necessary to receive the Newsletter, but if you wish to make a donation, please make your check payable to:

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**For more information please call (714) 536-5933.**

**A Friendly  
Reminder  
About Coyotes**



Many residents in Huntington Beach experience occasional visits from local wildlife, including coyotes. The City of Huntington Beach has developed an easy to use system to report the coyote contacts you may have. This link will allow you to report a coyote contact on-line, 24 hours/ seven days a week. This information will be logged and reported to both state and county officials. Use the link below to report a contact. Please provide complete information.

[http://surfcity-hb.org/i\\_want\\_to/coyote-incident-report.cfm](http://surfcity-hb.org/i_want_to/coyote-incident-report.cfm)

You may also continue to report coyote contacts to our Dispatch Center at 714-960-8825 or to Administrative Services Manager Denise Robsel at 714-536-5913.

In an emergency, dial 9-1-1.

For information on how to live with coyotes in Huntington Beach, prevent coyote conflicts, or how to haze a coyote, visit the City's website at:

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# Social Host Ordinance

*A New Law to Prevent Underage Drinking in Huntington Beach*

*Underage drinking costs 4,700 lives a year. (CDC, 2012)*

*Allowing it in your home could cost you a \$750 fine.*

## What is a Social Host Ordinance?

A Social Host Ordinance is a law that prohibits adults from hosting drinking parties for minors. Teen drinking parties are a nuisance and threat to public safety. Recognizing this, the City Council of Huntington Beach adopted a Social Host Ordinance on March 4, 2013.

*"It is unlawful and a public nuisance for a responsible person or host to cause or allow a party, gathering or event to occur at any residence or other private property at which any underage person is being served, is in possession of, or is consuming an alcoholic beverage..."*

Huntington Beach Municipal Code

## Penalties and Enforcement

Violators will be cited and may face a \$750 fine. If police are called out a second time within 12 months, violators face an additional \$1,500 fine. The third violation in 12 months carries a fine of up to \$3,000. The Huntington Beach Police Department is employing party-focused patrols to monitor home parties and respond to community concerns regarding underage drinking.



## Why Not Host Parties for Minors?

Some parents believe that providing alcohol for teens will keep the situation under control and teach their children to drink responsibly. However, a recent study of over 6,000 youth found that teens who received alcohol from a parent or a friend's parent at a party consumed more drinks, and were twice as likely to drink regularly and binge drink (Foley, et al.). Additionally, teens frequently have harmful experiences at parent-sanctioned drinking parties. Even when parents keep an eye on teens while they drink, young people may still get behind the wheel or get into a car with someone who has been drinking. Huntington Beach has adopted a Social Host Ordinance to help prevent these drinking-related tragedies.

## What You Can Do

If you see a loud party where persons under 21 appear to be drinking, call the police.

If you are hosting a party where alcohol is being served, monitor your alcohol and make sure no minors are drinking. Call the police if minors refuse to cooperate or the party becomes unmanageable. **You will not be cited if you request police assistance before someone else files a complaint.**

# POTENTIAL RISKS FOR INTERNET USERS

## A Consumer Action Publication

Depending on how you use the Internet, you may be taking unnecessary risk. You might be at risk of identity theft (when someone steals and uses your personal information, perhaps to open new credit accounts), data theft or damage, or personal safety threats (sometimes called cyberstalking or cyberbullying).

Here are some of the ways crooks and con artists find victims online:

**Phishing**- an attempt to “hook” you into revealing your personal and confidential information by sending bogus emails that appear to come from a legitimate business.

**Spam**- unwelcome e-mail and instant messages, which may offer questionable goods for sale or a promise of financial rewards if you give the sender money.

**Malware**- malicious software (spyware, Trojans, viruses, and worms) that can be remotely installed on your computer, allowing the person who controls the malicious software to steal, damage, or delete your files and other data.

**Transactions that are not secure**- sites that don't have secure payment forms, or companies that store debit and credit card information without proper safeguards, may give crooks the opportunity to intercept your personal information.

**Social networking**- users may be at risk if they reveal too much personal information or if they agree to physically meet people they first meet online. Some social networking sites might even compromise sensitive personal information.

### Protecting Your Computer and Data

There are many ways that someone can gain access to your personal information. Fortunately, there are also many ways for you to protect yourself.

**Use a firewall**- A firewall is a virtual barrier between your computer and the Internet. Everything coming into or leaving your computer must go through the firewall, which blocks anything that doesn't meet specific security criteria. Before purchasing separate firewall hardware or software, check your operating system (or OS) to see if there is a built in firewall and whether it is turned on.

**Install antivirus software**- Antivirus software scans everything that goes into your computer, looking for known viruses. Because new viruses are created all the time you should update your antivirus software regularly.

**Install antispyware software**- Spyware is software that tracks your computer activity, gathering information without your knowledge. Antispyware software blocks or removes spyware. Some antivirus products include antispyware features.

**Use a spam filter**- Most internet service providers (ISPs) and e-mail programs now include an automatic spam filter, which reduces the number of unwelcome e-mail messages that make it to your inbox. Delete, without opening any spam or “junk mail” that gets through the filter.

**Perform timely updates**- Computer and software companies frequently update their programs to include protection against the newest security threats. So, simply updating your operating system and software whenever new versions become available gives you an added measure of security. If available, activate automatic security updates so you will be alerted when updates are issued.

*(Continued in April 2015)*

**RESIDENTIAL BURGLARIES, VEHICLE BURGLARIES, GRAND THEFT AUTO**

HB police patrol areas are the North and the South. Patrol beats are 2-9. Your RD (Reporting District) is the half-mile square surrounding your home.

To locate your Beat and RD, please check the map on the back inside page. In most cases, your BEAT/RD is identified on your address mailing label.

**RESIDENTIAL BURGLARIES**

**38 reports 1/16/15 – 2/15/15**  
**42 reports 12/16/14 – 1/15/15**

Fifteen of the entries were due to **OPEN OR UNLOCKED** windows or doors. Seventeen of these burglaries were committed during the day; seven were committed at night, and fourteen at an unknown time.

There were five garage entries.

There was one storage unit entry.

There were three attempted entries.

**VEHICLE BURGLARIES**

**33 reports 1/16/15 – 2/15/15**  
**45 reports 12/16/14 – 1/15/15**

**GRAND THEFT AUTO**

**29 reports 1/16/15 – 2/15/15**  
**30 reports 12/16/14 – 1/15/15**

**BEAT 2**

**2 Residential Burglaries**  
**1 Vehicle Burglary**  
**2 Grand Theft Auto**

**Residential Burglaries**  
**RD 452-1 RD 456-1**

Streets: Alabama St., and Salt Air Cir.

**Vehicle Burglaries**  
**RD 453-1**

**Grand Theft Auto**  
**RD 463-1 RD 472-1**

**BEAT 3**

**3 Residential Burglaries**  
**1 Vehicle Burglary**  
**5 Grand Theft Auto**

**Residential Burglaries**

**RD 433-1 RD 436-2**

Streets: Elmcrest Ln. Continental Dr., and Inverness Ln.

In RD 436, Continental Dr., suspect is in custody.

In RD 436, Inverness Ln., suspect is in custody.

**Vehicle Burglaries**  
**RD 443-1**

**Grand Theft Auto**

**RD 436-2 RD 437-1**  
**RD 442-2**

**BEAT 4**

**3 Residential Burglaries**  
**5 Vehicle Burglaries**  
**2 Grand Theft Auto**

**Residential Burglaries**  
**RD 349-1 RD 451-2**

Streets: 18<sup>th</sup> St., Pecan St., and 10<sup>th</sup> St.

In RD 349, 18<sup>th</sup> St., suspects described as: Suspect #1, white, male, 16 to 18 years old, approximately 5'6", weighing between 120 and 130 lbs., with brown hair. Suspect was wearing a dark grey shirt with dark jeans.

Suspect # 2, male, no further description.

In RD 451, Pecan St., suspect is in custody.

There was one garage entry.

**Vehicle Burglaries**  
**RD 195-1 RD 348-1**  
**RD 359-2 RD 461-1**

**Grand Theft Auto**  
**RD 451-2**

**BEAT 5**

**4 Residential Burglaries**  
**4 Vehicle Burglaries**  
**1 Grand Theft Auto**

**Residential Burglaries**

**RD 293-1 RD 413-1**  
**RD 421-2**

Streets: Rolf Cir., Valley Cir., Yellowtail Dr., and Ridge Glen Dr.

In RD 293, Rolf Cir., it appears as if the side garage door was pried or forced open, freeing the nails from the frame, allowing access into the garage. Suspect(s) then exited through the roll up door with owner's property.

In RD 421, Yellowtail Dr., it appeared the front door was smashed in leaving a hole. This allowed suspect(s) to enter and exit.

In RD 421, Ridge Glen Cir., it appears suspect(s) made entry through the unlocked front door.

**Vehicle Burglaries**  
**RD 291-1 RD 411-1**  
**RD 413-2**

**Grand Theft Auto**  
**RD 424-1**

There was one garage entry.

**BEAT 6**

**3 Residential Burglaries**  
**3 Vehicle Burglaries**  
**5 Grand Theft Auto**

**Residential Burglaries**  
**RD 263-1 RD 264-1**  
**RD 273-1**

Streets: Monroe Ln., Merle Cir., and Kampen Ln.

In RD 263, Monroe Ln., it does not appear the suspect(s) entered the residence.

In RD 273, Kampen Ln., the point of entry and exit appear to be the rear door leading to the backyard. The door has a large window on the upper half. The screen on the door had been cut and the window forced down.

**Vehicle Burglaries**  
**RD 272-1 RD 282-2**

**RESIDENTIAL BURGLARIES, VEHICLE BURGLARIES, GRAND THEFT AUTO****Grand Theft Auto**

RD 263-1 RD 264-2  
RD 272-1 RD 283-1

There was one garage entry.

**BEAT 7**

**7 Residential Burglaries**  
**6 Vehicle Burglaries**  
**4 Grand Theft Auto**

**Residential Burglaries**

RD 159-1 RD 178-1  
RD 179-1 RD 252-1  
RD 253-1 RD 262-2

Streets: Nyanza Dr., Northfield Ln., Warner Ave., Stark Dr., and Edinger Ave.

In RD 159, Nyanza Dr., it appears the suspect(s) entered the residence through the unlocked and open sliding glass door to the rear of the kitchen.

In RD 178, Northfield Ln., it appears an unknown suspect(s) used what appeared to be a possible flathead type screwdriver to force open the rear main slider door to gain access.

In RD 179, Warner Ave., it appears the suspect(s) broke a small hole in the double glass window pane, pried up the interior window, then reached inside to unlock the front door by hand to gain entry.

In RD 252, Stark Dr., suspect is in custody.

In RD 262, Warner Ave., the unknown suspect(s) cut the screen on an open bedroom window. The suspect(s) then reached inside the room and stole a laptop which was sitting on the nightstand.

In RD 262, Warner Ave., the suspect was described as: male, approximately 6' tall and wearing a dark colored hooded sweatshirt.

**Vehicle Burglaries**

RD 169-2 RD 188-1  
RD 252-1 RD 253-1  
RD 262-1

**Grand Theft Auto**

RD 178-1 RD 253-2  
RD 262-1

**BEAT 8**

**9 Residential Burglaries**  
**5 Vehicle Burglaries**  
**3 Grand Theft Auto**

**Residential Burglaries**

RD 153-1 RD 156-1  
RD 165-1 RD 166-1  
RD 167-1 RD 171-1  
RD 187-3

Streets: Bimini Ln., Heil Ave., Pearce Dr., Pearle St., Hillview Cir., Bayview Dr., Pinon Dr., and Lourdes Dr.

In RD 166, Pearle St., It appears an known suspect(s) shattered a piece of glass on the French doors to gain entry.

In RD 167, Hillview Cir., it appears the suspect(s) entered an unlocked and open garage, stole items, then fled in an unknown direction.

In RD 171, Bayview Dr. (Sunset Beach), it appears the suspect(s) removed a garage door opener from inside an unlocked vehicle parked in front of the garage. The suspect(s) then used the garage door opener to gain access into the garage.

In RD 187, Pinon Dr., it appears the screen had been pried off and the bedroom window had been opened to gain access.

In RD 187, Lourdes Dr., the rear sliding door had four pry marks and the inside part of the door had been broken.

**Vehicle Burglaries**

RD 155-1 RD 164-1  
RD 165-1 RD 167-1  
RD 176-1

**Grand Theft Auto**

RD 157-1 RD 167-1  
RD 177-1

There were two garage entries.

**BEAT 9**

**7 Residential Burglaries**  
**8 Vehicle Burglaries**  
**7 Grand Theft Auto**

**Residential Burglaries**

RD 117-1 RD 139-2  
RD 146-1 RD 149-2  
RD 232-1

Streets: Chinook Dr., Oxford Dr., Robinwood Dr., Gas Light Dr., Red Coach Dr., and McFadden Ave.

In RD 117, Chinook Dr., it appeared the suspect(s) kicked the door at the door lock in order to gain entry.

In RD 139, Oxford Dr., suspect is in custody.

In RD 139, Oxford Dr., it appears the suspect(s) gained entry by pushing in on the door handle until the door frame broke inward.

In RD 146, Robinwood Dr., it appears that the rear kitchen door had damage to the interior of the door frame. The door locking mechanism was still intact but had been forced.

In RD 149 Red Coach Dr., it appears the suspect(s) had smashed open the double pane rear glass slider.

In RD 232, McFadden Ave., it appears the suspect entered the storage unit by possibly picking the pad lock.

There was one storage unit entry.

**Vehicle Burglaries**

RD 137-1 RD 241-3  
RD 242-4

**Grand Theft Auto**

RD 128-1 RD 139-1  
RD 241-4 RD 242-1

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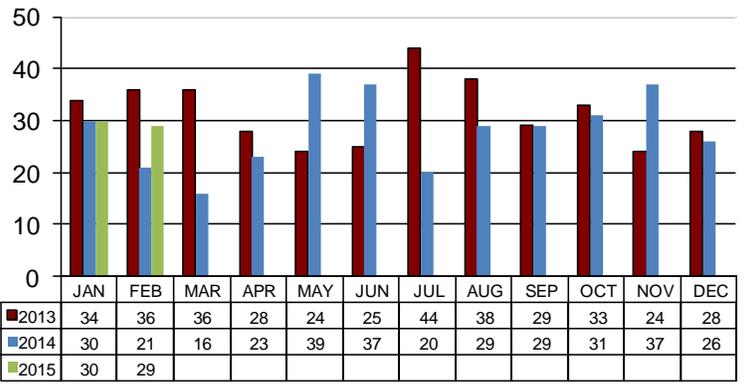
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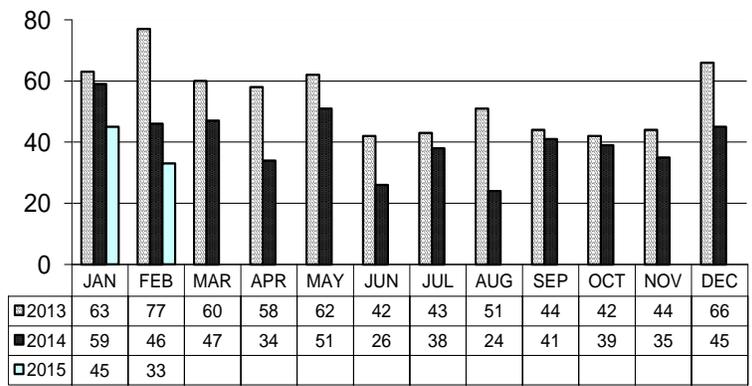
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- Month of April- Sexual Assault Awareness Month**
- Jeans for Justice Day- April 29**
- Blue Ribbon Week- May 10 through May 16**

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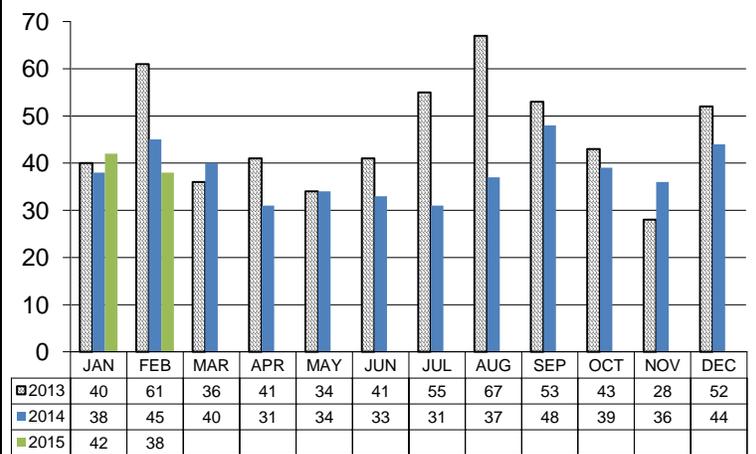
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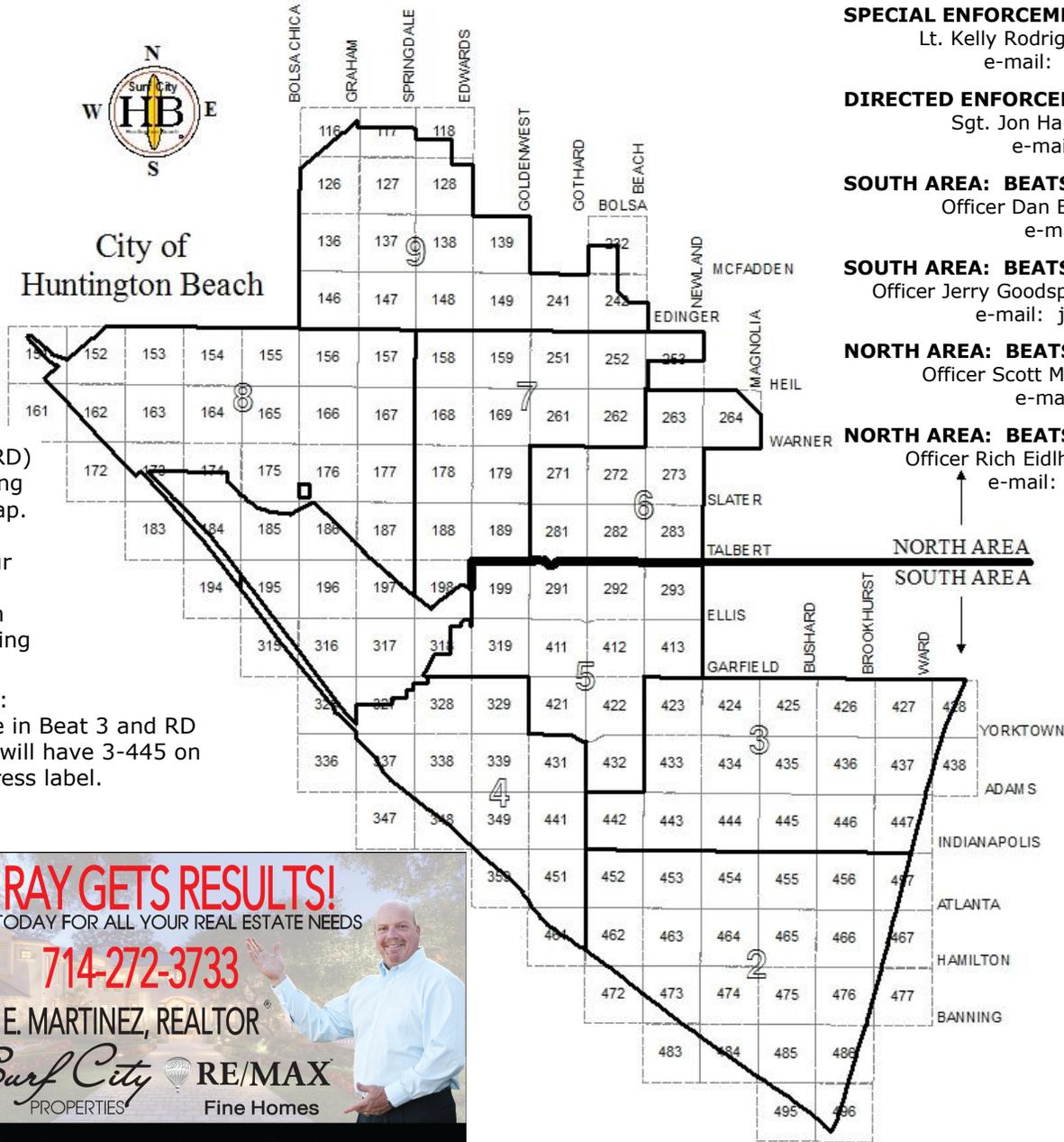
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