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Working in partnership with the community to provide public safety services which enhance the safety, security, and quality of life of the community.

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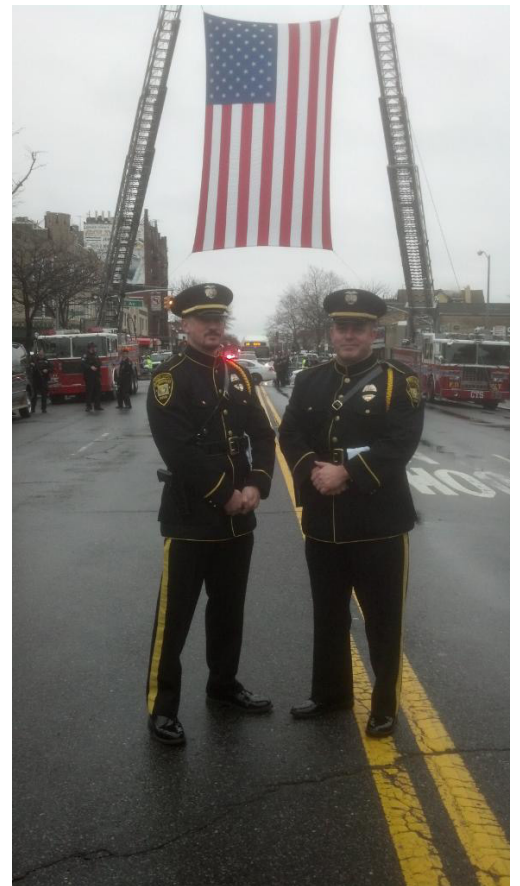
Hillsboro Police Honor Guard Members Travel to New York City

by Sergeant Eric Bunday and Officer Justin Hubbenette

Late on the evening of January 2, Hillsboro Police Department Honor Guard members Officer Justin Hubbenette and Officer Eric Russell boarded a JetBlue flight bound for New York City. Their mission was a somber one: to pay tribute to fallen NYPD Officer Wenjian Liu, who was senselessly assassinated with his partner, Officer Rafael Ramos, as they sat in their patrol car on December 20, 2014. Officer Hubbenette and Officer Russell joined over 20 other officers from Oregon on this journey to our nation's largest city.

The two officers joined tens of thousands of other police officers from across the United States and Canada in honoring Officer Liu's service and sacrifice at his public memorial service on January 4. In a true display of the

notion that there are no borders in the policing family, the Oregon contingent formed up with members of the Toronto Police Service



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Honoring Fallen Officer (continued)

and Ottawa Police Service to help line the procession route as Officer Liu's casket was brought past. They reported the feeling of camaraderie among police forces from around North America was impressive, and that everywhere they went they were greeted with gratitude by members of the NYPD and community alike. They both described their experience as an overwhelming honor and a privilege to represent the Hillsboro Police Department in New York City in saying farewell to a fallen hero.

Officer Hubbenette and Officer Russell spent a considerable amount of time with members of the 106th Precinct of the NYPD, where they made many friendships that are likely to last for years to come. The officers were also able to pay their respects at the World Trade Center site, where so many thousands of people lost their lives in the terrorist attacks on September 11, 2001. Officer Hubbenette described it as a humbling and sobering experience to walk the ground where so many of their fellow first responders gave their lives so that others might live.



9/11 Memorial

The Hillsboro Police Department would like to thank the men and women of the NYPD, who ensured that the needs of these officers were met while they were in New York City. The Hillsboro Police Department would also like to thank JetBlue Airlines, who provided the airfare free of charge to Officer Hubbenette and Officer Russell for this journey.



The family of policing is one that transcends borders and languages. When a member of this profession is lost in the line of duty, it is a death in our family. Though we are so many miles from New York City, we have stood united in grief with our brothers and sisters with the NYPD.

Rest in peace, Officer Liu and Officer Ramos.



Hillsboro Police Patrol and Cadets Conduct Traffic Safety Details

by Brandi Gilbert, *Crime Prevention Specialist*

Hillsboro Police Cadets teamed up with patrol officers to conduct traffic details focusing on pedestrian safety around two Hillsboro schools. This safety campaign was designed to educate and encourage people to obey traffic laws and to watch for pedestrians utilizing marked and unmarked crosswalks.

With three cadets acting as pedestrian decoys and four patrol officers responding to violations, the team was able to make 35 stops, issuing 23 warnings and 12 citations. The primary violations enforced were speed, fail to yield to a pedestrian in a crosswalk and cell phone use while driving. The effort brought visibility to high traffic areas and had a positive residual effect on overall traffic safety.

For more information on Oregon crosswalk laws, go to oregon.gov/ODOT/TS/docs/pedestrian/form_737-3424_9-11_030314.pdf

New Patrol Vehicles on Hillsboro Streets 2015 Police Interceptor Utility

Some PIUs are being added to the fleet as a few older Crown Vics are retiring.



by Julie Carrasco, *Crime Prevention Specialist*

You approach an intersection wanting to make a left turn against a solid red light. You think to yourself, "Hmmmm, uhhhh, can I do it?" C'mon, I know many of you have pondered this very question! The *answer* - it depends.

First, to be clear, this article is not meant to address left turns from a solely designated left turn lane, but rather from a regular travel lane.

One to One - YES!

Most of you likely know you can make a left turn on a red when you're traveling from a one-way street to another one-way street; that of course after having made a complete stop and yielding to traffic from your right.

Two to One - YES!

You may also make that same turn on a red light when traveling from a two-way street to a one-way street. Again, after that complete stop, be sure to yield to traffic from your right.

One to Two / Two to Two - NO!

You may not turn left on a red after a complete stop when traveling from a one-way to a two-way street or a two-way to a two-way.



How to Lose Your Home with One Easy Phone Call

by Nancy Steffen, *Volunteer*



First of all, you may be behind a payment or two and the lender is calling you daily and telling you that you are in jeopardy of losing your home...or, there may have already been a Notice of Default posted on the front of your house. You may be ashamed, embarrassed, scared, and, as many

people are facing this situation, desperate.

Then you see a sign on a telephone pole "We buy Houses" or maybe a flyer in a Mercado or other Spanish owned business advertising help for people just like you.

And you call.

The people at the other end are waiting for someone just like you. They especially like to prey on more vulnerable people. Perhaps you are a senior citizen, or, perhaps English is not your first language. The scammers are very good at what they do. They often show up very quickly and may have paperwork they want you to sign. They tell you not to worry. They tell you they will take care of your mortgage. They are very warm and convincing or maybe they take this approach..."Gee, this house needs lots of work, I don't know." Or maybe they say you can stay in the house and rent it from them. But one way or the other, they will try to get you to sign your property over to them. They may even give you a token amount of money (\$1,000 or \$2,000). They may tell you that you can buy the house back when you get back on your feet or that they'll give you some money if they sell the house.

And so you sign their papers.

Now you no longer own the home. They may catch up the payments and make you feel like they just have your welfare in mind. But they rarely pay off your loan. That means you are still liable for that debt.

They may just accept your rent payments and not pay the loan. You won't know that until a new notice is posted on your door. Or, they may seek to sell your house and pocket any equity there may be. Either way you now have no home and have lost any equity you may have had.

Please don't be that desperate, vulnerable person. Watch out for your friends, neighbors, moms and dads, and sisters and brothers. A wise person I know always says, "It is much easier to stay out of trouble than it is to get out of trouble."

There are many legitimate resources that can and will help you.

Oregon Department of Consumer and Business Affairs

oregon.gov/DCBS/foreclosurehelp/pages/index.aspx

Oregon Department of Justice

doj.state.or.us/Pages/index.aspx

1-877-877-9392

Consumer Financial Protection Bureau

consumerfinance.gov/mortgagehelp/

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emerging scams in the state.*

DOJ.State.Or.U.s



Dumpster Diving Harmless Recycling or Something Else?

by Tony Casker, *Code Enforcement Officer*

You see a guy collecting pop cans from the dumpster at your apartment complex or in your neighborhood; no big deal, right?

Wrong. The removal of recycle or solid waste from a garbage pickup area is a violation of Hillsboro Municipal Code 6.08.020 and could come with a \$500 fine to parties outside of tenants or property owners who deposit trash or recycle.

Be ALERT - if you see someone removing items from your garbage who is:

- (a) not a tenant, or not someone you recognize from the neighborhood, and may be wearing a backpack or carrying bags to collect items from the garbage; or
- (b) on a bicycle, towing a cart; especially at night or in the early morning hours.

If you see either of these conditions, do not confront the person. Report the circumstances and a good description immediately to non-emergency dispatch at 503-629-0111. After the fact, communicate with your neighbors and/or landlord about the suspicious activity.

Although some of these parties are only collecting pop cans or other discarded items; others are using this as an opportunity to steal personal information, or see how secure the property is. The collection of garbage may merely be a ruse to scope out cars in your apartment parking lot or neighborhood in search of more valuable items.

Many apartment complex owners have *trespass agreements* with Hillsboro Police. This document allows officers to exclude those who have no tie to the property and collect cans; but more importantly, non-tenants who illegally dispose of garbage which is a criminal offense under ORS 164.805.

Sox from Cops

by Brandi Gilbert,
Crime Prevention Specialist



Washington County Project Homeless Connect is part of a nationwide movement to assist the homeless in accessing services while engaging the larger community in finding a solution for homelessness. Hillsboro Police is excited to once again be part of this daylong event that brings volunteers together to connect homeless individuals with critical services and resources.

On Friday, January 30, 9 am – 3 pm at Sunrise Church, Hillsboro, resources will be available to those who are homeless or at risk of being homeless. During this one day event people will have access to free dental, vision and medical care, showers, haircuts, clothing and more.

The HPD Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) has come up with the "Sox from Cops" project for Project Homeless Connect and is seeking donations from the community for NEW socks in all shapes and sizes for officers to hand out at the upcoming event. "Socks are a commodity that most of us don't even think about but can be a big deal for someone who is homeless. A new pair of socks is a great conversation starter and a way for our cops to connect with the homeless community on a positive level," said CIT coordinator, Officer Megan Hewitt.

If you'd like to help with the "Sox from Cops" project, you can drop off any NEW pair of socks at the Hillsboro Police Department, 250 SE 10th Avenue until Friday, January 23. Warm, dark colored socks for men, women and children are best. Thank you in advance!



How About a New Year's *Conflict Resolution*?

by Julie Keys, *Police Program Specialist*
Cinnie Noble, *Cinergy Conflict Coaching*



Once again, it is the time when we evaluate our lives and resolve to do better next year. We will vow to lose weight, get those cleaning projects done, or handle our finances more carefully.

But what about resolving to look at what role we play in our own lives and the conflicts that occur. Maybe this is the year to think about that!



- This year, I will approach conflict rather than avoid it.
- This year, I will give up blaming others.
- This year, I will make amends with people and not let things fester between us.
- This year, I will be present and purposeful about bringing peace to all aspects of my life.
- This year, I will take more responsibility for how I contribute to disputes and learn from my errors.
- This year, I will endeavor to let bygones be bygones. I will be more forgiving knowing that the other person does not have to acknowledge or accept my forgiveness for me to move on.

- This year, I will not judge and be hard on others, or on myself.
- This year, I will take care of myself, as only a healthy me is resilient enough to manage conflict.
- This year, I will enjoy being curious about others and myself, and value the importance of respecting other people's opinions, even if I don't agree with them.
- This year, I will listen with my heart and learn from the stories of others.

Sometimes the ability to change a stressful situation lies within us. Happy New Year!

Shyvonne Williams

New Volunteer Coordinator

Hello Hillsboro, my name is Shyvonne and I am thrilled about the opportunity I have to serve this community as the Hillsboro Police Department's Volunteer Coordinator. I have always admired the welcoming and caring spirit the City of Hillsboro has.

My goal as Police Volunteer Coordinator is to facilitate meaningful experiences for Hillsboro community members as they graciously choose to give of their time. In my eyes, volunteers bring a wealth of skills and are valuable. It is my belief that volunteering should be fun, engaging, rewarding for the volunteer and beneficial to all involved. Thank you for taking a moment to get to know me. Please reach out if you are interested in volunteering with the Hillsboro Police.

Welcome Shyvonne!



Community Outreach

Storytime Inukai Family Boys and Girls Club

Kids learn about a police officer's role in the community, and enjoy a story from a Hillsboro Police Officer.



SPLASH!

Students Pursuing Leadership and Serving Hillsboro

This Parks and Rec middle school leadership group makes a visit to Hillsboro Police to learn more about law enforcement in their community.



Hillsboro Police Officer connects with a community member over a cup of coffee.





Community Outreach "Shop with a Cop"

The Hillsboro Police Officers' Association in partnership with Sunset Fred Meyer and Parr Lumber bring a little Christmas joy to kids in our community.





Looking Ahead



Beaverton | Forest Grove | Hillsboro
Tigard | Tualatin | Washington County

Better manage your rental property • Network with landlords • Partner with law enforcement

January 14

This Honeymoon's Over: Terminating the Tenancy

February 11

Your Don't Want Justice, You Want to Win: Evictions, Small Claims and Other Disputes

Landlord Forums

Brought to you by
Warren Allen LLP and the Westside Crime Prevention Coalition

Portland Community College - Willowcreek
241 SW Edgeway Drive, Beaverton

6:30 - 8 pm

FREE; No Pre-Registration Required



Citizens' Academy

FREE, 12 week class for community members

When you think of a police department, perhaps some of the first images that come to mind are a uniform and a badge. That certainly paints part of the picture. However, there's so much more to see!

You can get a first-hand look at law enforcement, and learn why officers make the decisions they do by attending the 2015 Hillsboro Police Department Citizens' Academy. You'll see it takes more to operating an effective police department than just enforcement of the law. And that behind the badge, there's a person looking to make a difference in the community.

Classes begin February 5

Thursday evenings through April 23
6:30 pm - 10 pm; Pre-Registration Required

For more information, call 503-681-5207 or email earleen.reimann@hillsboro-oregon.gov





Numbers to Know

EMERGENCIES 9-1-1

Non-Emergency Dispatch
503-629-0111

Hillsboro Records Division
503-681-6175

Hillsboro Mediation
Services 503-615-6651

Hillsboro Code Enforcement
503-615-6645

Hillsboro Domestic
Violence Program Services
503-615-6740

Interagency Gang
Enforcement Team (IGET)
503-846-5850

Westside Interagency
Narcotics Team (WIN)
503-846-5650

City of Hillsboro
503-681-6100

HPD Website
Hillsboro-Oregon.gov/police

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Follow us on Twitter
[Twitter.com/hillsboropolice](https://twitter.com/hillsboropolice)

Community Enhancement Team

CET is committed to working with its residential and business partners to facilitate community excellence through safety education, crime prevention, problem-solving, and resource assistance.

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