## **Neighborhood Services Newsletter**







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#### Traffic Safety in Your Neighborhoods

Please drive careful in your neighborhoods. Our children are back in school.

Take extreme caution around our neighborhood schools.

Drive safe & look out for our kids!



# Youth Safety Presentation at Chinese Independent Baptist Church





On June 29 and June 30, 2015, Oakland Chinese Independent Baptist Church invited the Neighborhood Service Section and Canine Unit to a youth safety presentation. The church provided a 2-week summer program for children ages 4-10. Over 100 children attended the presentation. Police Service Technician, Kenny Ip trained the kids on how to protect themselves from bad strangers, how to call 911 and how to be safe during earthquake, etc. Participants were also awarded OPD Jr Badge stickers. The kids also had a chance to see the Police Canines. K-9 Officers J. Low and J. Stine brought their Police K-9 with them during the presentation. The kids learned the role of the K-9

Unit, had a chance to order the K-9 to

perform certain actions and were also able to pet the K-9. At the end of the presentation, the church gifted the Police Department with a thank you poster that was made by the kids.

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#### **Carrington Stairs Mural and Mosaic Project**





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The Carrington Way Stair project is a partnership between the Fruitvale residents, Unity Council, Fruitvale Unity Neighborhood Council, OPD and Oakland Unite "Messengers for Change". The Carrington Way stair project was critical to addressing gang activity in the Harrignton Avenue area.

The Carrington way stairs (72 steps) has been a continuous gang hang out. The area was heavily tagged with gang graffiti, there was illegal dumping, homeless and a well-known marijuana hangout. Since the project began, neighbors have been inviting the youth to participate in a mural and mosaic project. Youth in the area that once tagged the stairway have now adopted the stairwell and keep other youth from tagging. Neighbors who live on either side of the stairwell have noticed a drastic decrease in the amount of nuisance activity.

The Fruitvale Unity Neighborhood Council welcomes you to join their beautification efforts.

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#### **Fruitvale Unity**

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20X, 23X, and 24X

#### Location

Fruitvale San Antonio Senior Center 3301 East 12th Street, #201

### **Meeting Date**

3rd Thursday of each month. **No meeting in August or December.** 

#### **Meeting Time**

6:30pm

#### McGruff and Scruff Join the Oakland Police Department Family



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The Citizen Police Academy Alumni Association helped OPD obtain their very own McGruff and Scruff! The CPAAA applied for a \$4000.00 grant to the Oakland Police Foundation to purchase these great costumes. McGruff and Scruff made their debut at National Night Out, Tuesday August 4, 2015.

McGruff and Scruff will be great partners as we build stronger community ties and strengthening our outreach efforts.



McGruff and his nephew Scruff at National Night Out

## Oakland Police Throw A Block Party In West Oakland

In April, the Area 1 Community Resource Team joined forces to host a block party in West Oakland in the 800-1000 block of Campbell Street. Captain Drennon Lindsey & the Community Resource Team, which includes Community Resource Officers, Crime Reduction Team & the Neighborhood Services Section hosted a good "old fashion" street party. Residents interacted with Police and enjoyed music, food, raffles, and games including 'Basketball with a Cop!" Residents commended the Oakland Police Department for hosting such a great party in a tough neighborhood. One resident stated, "This is

beautiful. I love the Officers BBQing & hanging out with the kids. We need this all the time & thank you I love my t-shirt." Sgt Rich Vierra & the Golden State Warriors donated t-shirts for this event.



#### **FBI Citizens Academy**



We are happy to announce there are currently two Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association members that are part of the FBI Citizens Academy.

Similar to the Oakland Police Citizen Police Academy, FBI Citizens Academy Program gives business, religious, civic and community leaders an inside look at the FBI. During the FBI academy, students gain insight into the structure and operation of an FBI field office and learn the services the FBI provides to local and state law enforcement agencies.

#### **National Night Out 2015**

On Tuesday, August 4<sup>th</sup> residents from all over Oakland came together to celebrate with their neighbors for National Night Out. It is the nation's night out against crime. Oakland residents hosted a block party, ice cream social, barbeque, or any other type of group event all over the city. This year Oakland had 577 parties and there were approximately 29,800 residents in attendance citywide

Neighborhood Services would like to thank all those who hosted or attended parties. We would also like to extend a thank you to the staff from the following City departments and outside agencies who volunteered to visit parties:

Oakland Police Department

Oakland Fire Department

Oakland Public Library

Oakland Public Library Commission Board

Office of the Mayor

Alameda County District Attorney's Office

Citizen's Police Review Board

Neighborhood Law Corp

City Administrators Office

**Public Works Department** 

Department of Human Services









Fruitvale Avenue and Foothill Blvd



Jack London Gateway



San Pablo

Oakland Point Limited Partnership

### **National Night Out** 2015 Photos



Staff From the Alameda County District Attorney's Office



**Mayor Schaaf and Oakland Residents** 



Hismen Hin-Nu Terrace



Swan's Market



Westlake Christian Terrace

**Oakland Housing Authority Staff** 

and Mayor Schaaf

**Dimond District** 









Oakland California Hotel



**South Hills** 

National Night Out is the first Tuesday of August each year. We hope that you will host a party on your block next year on August 2, 2016!

For more information about National Night Out please visit www2.oaklandnet.com/nno or call (510) 986-2715.

#### **Greater San Antonio Officer Appreciation**





On Thursday, October 8, 2015 the Greater San Antonio Neighborhood Crime Prevention Council hosted an Officer's Appreciation Breakfast and Lunch for officers at the Manzanita Recreation Center. Assistant Chief Paul Figueroa and Councilmember Abel Guillen stopped by to show their appreciation for the officers and the Greater San Antonio Neighborhood Crime Prevention Council board members who hosted the event. Special thanks to Board members Rosa Montgomery and Colette McPherson – and Neighborhood Services Coordinator Edith Guillen for organizing and hosting the event.





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Please join us in 2016 when the Greater San Antonio NCPC resumes having meetings.

#### **Neighborhood Watch Steering Committee Block Captain Training**



On Monday, September 28, 2015 at 6:30 p.m., the Neighborhood Watch Steering Committee (NWSC) hosted a workshop for Oakland Block Captains. This was the second time this workshop was presented. A similar workshop occurred earlier this year.



The guest speakers were Christina Lim and Patrick Bears, Neighborhood Law Corp (NLC) Attorneys from the City Attorney's Office and Ed Labayog from the Planning and Building Department. All of these individuals can provide assistance to residents who are having problems with public nuisance properties. The NLC attorneys and Code Compliance frequently work with the police department and public works to develop a strategy to address problematic properties. In addition to nuisance properties, the NLC attorneys deal with illegal dumping and problematic motels and liquor establishments.

There were approximately (25) block captains in attendance who were able to ask questions of the guests. Several block captains walked away feeling empowered with the information provided.

Our next "special" workshop will be a tour of the Communications Dispatch Center (aka 9-1-1) scheduled for some time in November.

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