



# FALL 2022

# COMMUNITY CONNECTION

For the latest updates on our programs and services, visit [ggcity.org/police](http://ggcity.org/police) and



## Upcoming Events

The year may be coming to a close, but our community events calendar is full!

Here are some of our upcoming events to look forward to:

**☑ OCTOBER 5TH:  
NATIONAL COFFEE WITH A COP DAY**  
No agendas, no speeches. Just coffee and conversations.

**☑ OCTOBER 12TH:  
NATIONAL WALK TO SCHOOL DAY**  
Supporting students as they walk to school in an effort to promote safe routes and healthy lifestyles.

**☑ OCTOBER 27TH:  
JUMPSTART'S READ FOR THE RECORD DAY**  
Encourages childhood literacy across the country by reading the same book on the same day.

Follow our social media accounts for the most updated information about our upcoming community events.

Stay tuned!



## Community Update

# CRIME TREND:

## DISTRACTION BURGLARY

Local law enforcement agencies have seen an increase in individuals fraudulently claiming to be a utility company employee. They would then request to test the utility quality inside residences. Unsuspecting victims allow strangers into their homes and thus give thieves an opportunity to access the victim's valuables.

Utility employees or authorized contractors who need access into your home typically schedule an appointment in advance. Legitimate employees always carry proper identification, wear a uniform, and arrive in marked company vehicles.



### Follow these safety tips:

- Do not allow these individuals into your home without an appointment and/or proper identification.
- Contact the utility company to confirm their visit.
- Do not provide them with a copy of your utility bill or personal information.
- Do not leave your home unattended to accompany an individual who shows up without an appointment.
- Call the police immediately when you see suspicious people in your neighborhood.

# Garden Grove Police Department Programs

The Community Liaison Division remains committed to serving the community by offering virtual and in-person crime prevention programs.

We encourage residents to stay engaged to keep themselves and our communities safe.

## Community Programs

- Neighborhood Watch
- Personal Safety
- Traffic Safety
- Bike/Pedestrian Safety
- Car Seat Safety

## Youth Programs

- Junior Neighborhood Watch
- Officer Friendly
- Child Safety & Stranger Danger
- Internet Safety
- Anti-Bullying
- Substance Abuse Prevention
- Making Healthy Choices

## To Connect With Us

**Community Liaison Division Email:**  
crimeprevention@ggcity.org

### Community Liaison Division Numbers:

(714) 741-5760 General Inquiries  
(714) 741-5761 West  
(714) 741-5762 West | Spanish  
(714) 741-5763 Vietnamese  
(714) 741-5592 Korean

## Emergency:

# 9-1-1

**Report a non-emergency crime:**

(714) 741-5704

## SAFETY CORNER

GGPD



# COOKING FIRE SAFETY

SAFETY CORNER

During the holiday season, families will be gathering and sharing meals more often. According to the Orange County Fire Authority, cooking is the leading cause of home fires, fire related injuries, and fire deaths in Orange County.

## Remember to practice the following safety tips:

- Keep an eye on the stove, oven, or grill. If you must leave the area, turn off the heat.
- Avoid leaving oven mitts, paper towels, plastic bags, or anything that can catch on fire near the stove, oven, or other kitchen appliances.
- Establish a “kid-free zone” at least 3 ft. from the stove, oven, or grill.
- Avoid cooking when tired or under the influence of alcohol.
- Never pour water over a grease fire; instead, cover the pan with a lid and turn off the stove.
- If a fire occurs in the oven or microwave, keep the door closed and turn off the appliance.
- If a cooking fire spreads, quickly evacuate and call 9-1-1.

To learn more about fire safety, visit [ocfa.org](http://ocfa.org)

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