# FALL 2023 COMMUNITY CONNECTION

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## **Upcoming Events**

The Garden Grove Police Department would like to invite you to our upcoming community programs. Mark your calendar for the following events:

- October 4th: National Coffee With a Cop
  Day No agendas, no speeches. Just coffee and conversations.
- October 4th: National Walk, Bike, and Roll to School Day - Supporting students as they walk, bike, or rollerblade to school in an effort to promote safe routes and healthy lifestyles.



- October 26th: Jumpstart's Read for the Record – encourages childhood literacy by reading the same book on the same day. This year's book is With Lots of Love by Jenny Torres Sanchez.
- November 8th: Pizza With a Cop Enjoy some pizza and chat with our officers.



Follow our social media accounts or visit ggcity.org/police for updates on our community events!

## Community Update CRIME TREND: JEWELRY "SWAP"

There have been recent incidents where thieves remove a victim's jewelry and replace it with a replica. The thief then quickly leaves in a getaway car before the victim realizes their jewelry was stolen.

## Practice the following safety tips to avoid becoming a victim of a jewelry "swap":

- Keep your distance from strangers when in public and avoid large crowds.
- Avoid wearing expensive jewelry or accessories out in public.
- Always be aware of your surroundings, such as cars parked near you or driving close to you.
- If someone approaches you with a gift or charity offering, do not engage and walk away.
- Trust your instincts; if something does not feel right, ask for help.

GARDEN GROVE POLICE DEPARTMENT NON-EMERGENCY: 714-741-5704



The Garden Grove Police Department offers a Personal Safety Program. To schedule a presentation, call **714-741-5760** or email **CrimePrevention@ggcity.org**.

### 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
- Internet Safety
- Anti-Bullying
- Making Healthy Choices

### **To Connect With Us**

#### **Community Liaison Division Email:**

CrimePrevention@ggcity.org

#### **Community Liaison Division Numbers:**

(714) 741-5760 General Inquiries (714) 741-5762 East | Spanish (714) 741-5763 Vietnamese (714) 741-5764 West

## Emergency: 9-1-1

#### Report a non-emergency crime:

(714) 741-5704

# **E-BIKES**

In recent years, e-bikes have increased in popularity as an eco-friendly and efficient mode of transportation. Without altering the safety mechanism called a speed limiter, e-bikes can reach speeds ranging from 20-28 mph. Some e-bike riders have learned how to modify the speed limiter, letting the e-bike ride as fast as 50 mph.

# Please keep the following safety tips in mind when riding an e-bike:

- Always wear a helmet.
- Obey all traffic laws.
- Never ride an e-bike under the influence of any substance that may alter your ability to safely operate it.
- Ensure your bike has a white front light and a red rear reflector.
- Exercise caution at intersections, where most collisions occur.



- Class I bike paths are separated from roads, either by a barrier or an open space.
- **Class II** bike paths are part of the road, marked with clear white striping and labeling.
- Class III bike paths exist as part of the road, but they're not striped.
- **Class IV** bike paths are physically separated from motor traffic and sidewalks. Examples: separated by posts, parked cars, or both.

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