# SPRING 2023 COMMUNITY CONNECTION

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## Upcoming Events



Spring time is here and our community events are springing into action! Please join us for our upcoming events:

- April 22nd from 11 AM 1 PM: Coffee with a Cop - Meet our department personnel and enjoy a cup of coffee. No agendas, no speeches, just coffee and conversations.
- **May 3rd**: National Bike and Roll to School Day – Promoting safe routes and healthy lifestyles with our students as they bike to school.
- May 18th at 5 PM: "Call to Duty" Police Memorial – A ceremony to honor our fallen Garden Grove Police Officers.
- End of June: Teen Citizen Academy A comprehensive one day course for Garden Grove teens to learn about our department and interact with police department personnel.

Follow our social media accounts for updates and information on our community events.

# Community Update CRIME TREND: ONLINE SALE ROBBERIES

The Garden Grove Police Department wants to remind everyone to be cautious when selling and buying through various platforms such as Facebook Marketplace, OfferUp, Craigslist, and others.

#### Here are some tips to better protect yourself:

 Always meet during the daytime in a populated, public place with video surveillance. You can also choose to meet in front of the police lobby at the Garden Grove Police Department. Keep in mind that our business hours are Mondays through Fridays from 8 AM to 6 PM.



- Bring a trusted family member or friend with you.
- Be wary of deals that seem "too good to be true."
- Never give out your personal information or meet at your home.
- If you are planning on making an expensive purchase, consider meeting inside the bank and withdrawing cash from the teller.

Your safety is more important than scoring a good deal on merchandise. Use your best judgment and back out of the transaction if something doesn't seem right.

## Report all suspicious persons or activities: 714-741-5704

#### 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) 741-5761 West
(714) 741-5762 East | Spanish
(714) 741-5763 Vietnamese
(714) 741-5592 Korean

### Emergency: 9-1-1

Report a non-emergency crime: (714) 741-5704

## SAFETY CORNER

# UNEXPECTED EMERGENCIES

Your safety can be threatened at any time, e.g., getting trapped in a building, getting stuck in an elevator, being threatened by someone with a weapon, or getting caught in the middle of a natural disaster.

It is important to discuss how

happen.



you and your loved ones should respond to these types of situations before they

# Think about the following throughout your daily routine:

- Consider carrying a small first aid kit with you or keep one in your vehicle.
- Carry at least a day's worth of your prescription medication.
- Always be alert and aware of your surroundings. Try not to walk and text at the same time.
- Let someone know where you are planning on visiting that day. A quick option would be to share the location of your cell phone with someone you trust.
- Know the locations of medical emergency kits, fire extinguishers, and the exits of buildings you frequent. If it is a building you have never been in before, take a moment to familiarize yourself with all the aforementioned.
- Exit a location if you feel unsafe.

During an emergency, try to remain calm. Get to a safe place and then call 9-1-1. When speaking to a dispatcher, provide your location first and focus on answering their questions. Dispatchers are trained to lead questions. Remember: keep safety in mind at all times.

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