

# Bulletin

# 16-08

Date: August 2, 2016

## **HIGH ACHIEVERS – JULY 2016**

Officer Gabriel  
Officer Gentile  
Officer Knight  
Officer Leonard  
Officer Lorente  
Officer Luke  
Officer Mesa  
Parking Enforcement Officer Castro  
Parking Enforcement Officer H. Smith

## **JULY SIGNIFICANT INVESTIGATIONS/INCIDENTS**

Motor Vehicle Theft Arrest

July 4, 2016: 9300 block of Harding Avenue

Officer stopped a scooter for a traffic violation. The scooter was stolen from Sunny Isles beach. The driver was arrested.

Auto Burglaries-

July 8, 2016: Bay Drive, 91<sup>st</sup> Street, Emerson Avenue, Froude Avenue, 93<sup>rd</sup> Street, Dickens Avenue

Six unlocked vehicles were entered overnight in the residential neighborhood. Miscellaneous items were stolen. The incidents are under investigation.

Death Investigation

July 25, 2016: 9000 block of the beach

Unidentified male was found deceased along the water line. Surfside Police Department Detectives and Miami-Dade Homicide Squad are investigating. On 7/26/2016, the victim was identified as a 45 year old male reported missing from Miami Beach. Cause of death is pending toxicology reports.

Death Investigation

July 29, 2016: 88<sup>th</sup> Street and the Bay

An unidentified male was found deceased in the bay. Detectives and Miami-Dade Homicide Squad are investigating. The victim is a 67 year old male reported missing from Bay Harbor Island. Cause of death is pending autopsy results.

## **SERGEANT PROMOTION**

I am pleased and proud to announce that Detective Marian Cruz was promoted to Sergeant of Police effective July 11<sup>th</sup>. Congratulations to Sergeant Marian Cruz!

## **PERSONNEL TRANSFERS**

Effective Monday, July 25<sup>th</sup>, Detective Kemuel Gambirazio was assigned to CIU and report to Sergeant Rory Alberto.

Effective Monday, August 15<sup>th</sup>, Sergeant Marian Cruz will be transferred to Patrol Squad C and report to Captain Yero.

## **UNIFORM CRIME REPORT**

Florida Department of Law Enforcement Uniform Crime Reports (UCR) January to June

	<b>INDEX TOTAL CRIMES</b>	<b>% CH</b>	<b>VIOLENT CRIME</b>	<b>% CH</b>	<b>NONVIOLENT CRIME</b>	<b>% CH</b>
<b>2007</b>	90	-4.3	13	-50	77	23.1
<b>2008</b>	72	-20	13	0	59	-23.4
<b>2009</b>	84	16.7	12	-7.7	72	22
<b>2010</b>	92	9.5	8	-33.3	84	16.7
<b>2011</b>	87	-5.4	3	-62.5	84	0
<b>2012</b>	82	-5.7	8	166.7	74	-11.9
<b>2013</b>	69	-15.9	5	-37.5	64	-13.5
<b>2014</b>	88	27.5	2	-60	86	34.4
<b>2015</b>	60	-31.8	5	60	55	-36
<b>2016</b>	91	51.6	9	80	82	49

Attached are the preliminary Uniform Crime Reports for January to June 2016 and the nine preceding years. Surfside experienced an increase in Total Crimes, Violent Crimes (Homicide, Sex Battery, Robbery, Aggravated Assault) and Non Violent Crimes (Burglary, Larceny, Auto Theft). Total Crimes increased from 60-91, Violent Crimes from 5-9 and Non Violent Crimes 58-82 during this six month time period in 2015 to 2016. Surfside did not have any Homicides, Sexual Batteries, or Robberies. Violent Crimes increased from 4 Aggravated Assaults to 9 Aggravated Assaults in 2016. Non Violent Crimes (Burglary 3-9, Larceny 55-82) increased during this six month time period in 2016. Larceny accounts for 76.9 % of all crime in Surfside. There was also an increase in arrests from 67 during the first six months of 2015 to 117 during the first six months of 2016.

**DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAY SAFETY AND MOTOR VEHICLES DAVID AUDIT:  
SITE VISIT REPORT**

Agency: Surfside Police Department

Contract Number: HSMV-0638-15

Audit Date: March 1, 2016

Final Report: July 8, 2016

**Quarterly Quality Control Process**

Through responses to the DAVID Audit guide questions and on-site interview, the DHSMV Auditor examined the Quarterly Quality Control Reviews performed over the past year to ensure all current users are appropriately authorized. The Point of Contact (POC) can generate a list of current DAVID users in the new DAVID system. Any users with access who leave the agency must be inactivated in DAVID by the POC and Agencies should ensure that state records are consistent with agency records.

**The Department found that Surfside Police Department complies with these requirements. The auditor found that the agency has currently conducted Quarterly Reviews and updates user's access permissions upon separation. The Department recommends that the agency continue to update user's access permissions immediately upon separation, document this action, and complete Quarterly Reviews.**

**Confidential and Criminal Sanctions Acknowledgement**

The Auditor reviewed the process in which the agency ensures that all personnel with access to DAVID information have been instructed on their understanding of the confidential nature of the information and possible criminal sanctions. The required training module for gaining access to DAVID includes an electronic signature upon successful completion. This is required annually to keep them in status. The DAVID Usage Warning Screen also includes an acknowledgement of understanding.

**The Department found that Surfside Police Department complies with these requirements by conducting training with the users, maintaining acknowledgement via the DAVID system, and electronically signed acknowledgement forms for each user. The Department has no recommendations.**

**Dissemination**

Through responses to the Audit guide and interview, the Auditor discussed the requirement that non-authorized users may not have access to DAVID to facilitate data gathering for the agency. Data cannot be forwarded to other non-law enforcement agencies for review and data cannot be shared with collection agencies.

**The Department found that the Surfside Police Department complies with these requirements and has procedures in place to prevent unauthorized dissemination. The Department has no recommendations.**

### **Security of Information/User Access and Permissions**

The auditor reviewed the process for authorized users to access DAVID on the agency-authorized network. The team verified passwords are used to keep access to computers secure and computer screens are not visible or accessible to unauthorized personnel.

**The Department found that the Surfside Police Department complies with these requirements. The agency maintains secure areas and all computers are password protected. The Department has no recommendations.**

### **Misuse**

The auditor discussed the procedures for immediately notifying DHSMV when negligent use, improper use, unauthorized use, or unauthorized dissemination occurs. Agency misuse must be documented with corrective action. The team verified Department records are consistent with Agency records for reported misuse.

**The Department found that the Surfside Police Department complies with these requirements. The Department has no recommendations.**

### **Randomly Selected Audits**

A randomly selected sample of **10 officers** was chosen from active DAVID users within the agency. The Auditor reviewed user data with an agency representative to determine misuse. The agency was advised to select officers at random to monitor activity on a regular basis. Reviewing unlikely reason codes, running siblings, spouses, ex-spouses, celebrities, and political figures could find potential misuse. In addition, the time of day, inquiries are made outside of the user's shift times or unexplained access to Emergency Contact Information may reflect possible misuse.

**The Department found that Surfside Police Department complies with these requirements. The auditor reviewed the audit logs with the agency and discussed how to monitor usage effectively. The auditor located possible misuse of emergency contact information during this review. The Department further recommends the agency continue to monitor usage on a consistent basis to protect against misuse and increase the number of users reviewed**

### **Recommendations**

**The Department recommends the agency continue to monitor usage on a consistent basis to protect against misuse, increase the number of users reviewed, and document any found misuse. Surfside Police Department has notified the Department of Emergency Contact misuse on March 8, 2016.**

**STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION/ SURFSIDE MEETING**

On Friday July 22<sup>nd</sup>, Town Manager Guillermo Olmedillo, Public Works Director Joseph Kroll and Police Chief David Allen met with FDOT District Six Secretary James Wolfe and Assistant Traffic Operations Engineer Ramon Sierra at FDOT Headquarters, 1000 NW 111<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Miami to discuss certain traffic/ parking issues in Surfside.

The items discussed were:

- Additional parking spaces along the west side of the 8800 and 8900 blocks of Collins Avenue. FDOT has no objection but advised that a public meeting is required to notify residents. FDOT also stated there is a cost to remove the current striping and asphalt. A cost estimate will be provided to Surfside by August 22, 2016.
- A crosswalk or traffic signal on Collins Avenue at 91 Street. FDOT has completed several traffic engineering studies at this location and it does not meet the minimum criteria. FDOT recommended a new study after the Surf Club and market/ parking garage are open for business.
- 90 and Harding Avenue diverter to allow access and egress from the west side of Harding at 90 Street but prevent traffic from crossing eastbound or westbound due to dangerous curve. FDOT will review the intersection.
- Simulation studies of specific traffic intersections in Surfside. FDOT will provide a cost estimate.
- 96 Street and Abbott Avenue traffic signal. FDOT recommends 1200 feet between traffic signals. The distance between a traffic signal at Abbott Avenue and Harding Avenue is about 300 feet. FDOT will not approve this traffic signal even if Abbott Avenue is changed to three lanes (one southbound and two northbound).

**INSTALLATION OF TRAFFIC CONTROL ENHANCEMENTS**

As part of the on-going traffic control enhancements in the Town of Surfside, Stop Bar Reflectors have been installed at the intersections along 91<sup>st</sup> Street. These reflectors illuminate a red LED light that flashes and warns motorists to prepare to stop at these locations. These devices are an effective means of mitigating traffic occurrences and are provided by the Town as a safety measure for motorists and pedestrians.

**SPECIAL INFORMATION/COMMUNITY INITIATIVES/LAW ENFORCEMENT EVENTS**

NRO Dianna Hernandez assisted the North Bay Village Police Department on August 2<sup>nd</sup> with their National Night Out event.

The Police Teen Summer Program will conclude on August 4<sup>th</sup> with a graduation ceremony and luncheon for the teenagers at 12:00 p.m. at the Community Center.

The Surfside Police Department is implementing Carfit, a free community program to help senior drivers stay safe on the road on August 5, 2016 at 11:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. NRO Dianna Hernandez will coordinate this event.

The supervisory staff meeting is August 9<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m. in the training room.

On August 12, 2016, law enforcement agencies from three counties will meet at Homestead Speedway from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. to discuss traffic safety issues in South Florida. This is an important meeting as changes to the LEL Program, Arrive Alive Florida, and traffic safety campaign schedule will be discussed. Sergeant Patrick McKenna will attend and represent the Surfside Police Department.

The Surfside Police Department will host a Mobile Department of Motor Vehicles event for residents to apply for and renew their driver's licenses on August 17<sup>th</sup> from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. in the Police Training Room.

The Police/ Prosecutor meeting is August 17<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m. Sgt. Rory Alberto will assign a detective to attend.

The Regional Criminal Investigations Unit intelligence meeting is August 25<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 a.m. at the Aventura Police Department. The Criminal Investigations Unit will attend.

The monthly Starbucks – Coffee with the Cops is August 26<sup>st</sup> at 10:00 a.m. Residents, business persons, and visitors can meet with the Chief and his staff over coffee to discuss community issues or provide feedback on the Police Department.

The monthly Bike with the Chief Ride is August 31<sup>st</sup> at 5:00 p.m. All are welcome to participate.

#### **TRAINING COMPLETED IN JULY**

SWAT Training - Sgt. Torres

Sniper Training - Sgt. Torres

Crisis Intervention Training - Sgt. Torres, Det. Cruz, Ofc. Dulaney, Ofc. Gambirazio, Ofc. Ruiz

Background Investigations - Lt. Bambis, Det. Carrasquillo

ICS 300 Training - Sgt. Alberto, Sgt. Torres, Det. Cruz, Ofc. Campbell, Ofc. Lorente, Ofc. Matthews, Ofc. Ruiz

Active Shooter - Town Hall Personnel

#### **TRAINING IN AUGUST**

SWAT Training - Sgt. Torres

Sniper Training - Sgt. Torres

Crisis Intervention Training - Sgt. McKenna, Ofc. Gentile, Ofc. Knight, Reserve Ofc. Hidalgo

Fair and Impartial Policing Training - All Sworn Personnel

ICS 400 Training - Sgt. Alberto, Sgt. Cruz, Sgt. Pacheco, Sgt. Torres, CS Sperbeck, Ofc. Lorente, Ofc. Matthews

Taser/OC/Baton Recertification - All Sworn Personnel