



# NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH NEWSLETTER

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## JUNE IS INTERNET SAFETY MONTH

How do your children spend their time online? Although most children are not getting into trouble, there are still risks to consider such as; Cyberbullying, exposure to inappropriate content, online predators and posting personal or inappropriate information online.

### Start talking to your children early:

- You should start talking about cyberbullying with your youngest children so they have a good foundation for later lessons about online manners.
- You can start talking to your tweens about not posting inappropriate pictures and evolve that into a frank discussion about inappropriate texting when they become teenagers.
- You can talk to young children about not trusting people they meet online. By the time they are teens, they will be ready to discuss the risks of online predators.



Information provided by:  NATIONAL CENTER FOR MISSING & EXPLOITED CHILDREN

All issues of the Neighborhood Watch Newsletter are available online at:  
<http://tinyurl.com/k28hxqy>

### DOWNEY POLICE DEPARTMENT

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## POLICE EXPLORER PROGRAM

The Downey Police Explorer Program provides high school students an opportunity to explore law enforcement as a career. They work under close supervision of Police Officers who serve as Explorer Advisors. Some of the duties Explorers perform include: fingerprinting, assisting with DUI checkpoints and helping at various community events.

During these events Explorers are given the opportunity to assist as representatives of our Department. Requirements to remain in the program include:

- Maintain an overall 2.5

G.P.A.

- Have a good attendance record at school

Typically Explorers meet on Saturdays from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Applications can be obtained at the Downey Police Department front desk.



## RETURN HOME REGISTRY

On Thursday, May 14th, representatives from the Downey Police Department attended "Transition Night" at Downey High School to provide information on the Return Home Registry. The Return Home Registry is a program designed to assist officers in locating lost or disoriented individuals.

For more information or to apply please go to:

<http://goo.gl/9fyhEp>

## JOIN US ON TWITTER

In an effort to stay connected and keep residents informed, the Downey Police Department has joined Twitter.

Follow us: **@DowneyPolice**



## CITY OF DOWNEY DIRECTORY

### Downey City Hall

(562) 904-7246

### Police Department

(562) 861-0771

Dispatch - (562) 861-0770

### Neighborhood Watch

(562) 904-2374

### Fire Department

(562) 904-7345

### Code Enforcement

(562) 904-2392

### Graffiti Removal Hotline

(562) 923-4484

### Emergency Preparedness

(562) 904-7347

### Business Watch

(562) 923-2191

### Gangs Out of Downey

(562) 904-3514

### Shopping Carts

(800) 252-4613

### Animal Control

(562) 803-3301



# HAPPY 4TH OF JULY

Discharge of **Safe and Sane** fireworks is only allowed on July 4th from 3:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

**WARNING**  
USE OF ILLEGAL FIREWORKS IS PROHIBITED

## FINES

The following fines and other enforcement action will be implemented on anyone using illegal fireworks:

- First offense:** \$2,000.00 fine
- Second offense:** \$2,500.00 fine
- Any offense thereafter:** \$3,000.00 fine



Every year people are injured due to illegal fireworks and improper use of Safe and Sane fireworks.



**Downey Police Department**  
in partnership with the  
**Downey Fire Department**  
will be out in the community proactively enforcing all local and state laws in an effort to ensure a safe July 4th celebration.





# 3RD ANNUAL NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 4, 2015**

**DOWNEY CIVIC CENTER AREA**

**11111 Brookshire Ave.**

**Downey, CA 90241**

**6:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.**



National Night Out is a unique community event, celebrated across the United States that happens the first Tuesday in August every year. Downey's National Night Out event will promote community awareness and wellness by educating the community about crime prevention, health, and community resources.