

ANNUAL

CITY COUNCIL &  
SARATOGA NEIGHBORHOODS  
JOINT MEETING

# MEETING AGENDA

- 5:30 p.m.      Introductions & Update on City Activities
- 6:00 p.m.      Neighborhood Watch & Crime Prevention
- 6:20 p.m.      Neighborhood Reports
- 7:00 p.m.      Regular City Council Meeting

# INTRODUCTIONS



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# CITY DEPARTMENTS

## City Manager's Office

council relations & support • policy development • public relations • event permits • intergovernmental relations • sustainability • public information • website • elections • commissions • public records • waste management

408.868.1216

408.868.1269 (City Clerk)

[www.saratoga.ca.us/citymanager](http://www.saratoga.ca.us/citymanager)

## Community Development

building permits • building plan checks • construction inspection • code enforcement • tree permits • development review • land use/zoning enforcement • advanced planning • economic development

408.868.1201 (Building)

408.868.1222 (Planning)

408.868.1214 (Code)

[www.saratoga.ca.us/cd](http://www.saratoga.ca.us/cd)

## Finance & Administrative Services

accounting • financial audits & reporting • treasury & debt management • budget • financial policies • information technology • human resources • business licenses

408.868.1264

408.868.1225 (HR)

[www.saratoga.ca.us/finance](http://www.saratoga.ca.us/finance)

## Public Works

streets • medians • sidewalks • curbs • gutters • traffic signals • street lights • parks • trails • fleet • capital project management • traffic management • surveying • environmental review • geology

408.868.1245 (Streets & Parks)

408.868.1239 (Engineering)

408.299.2507 (After Hours)

[www.saratoga.ca.us/publicworks](http://www.saratoga.ca.us/publicworks)

## Recreation & Facilities

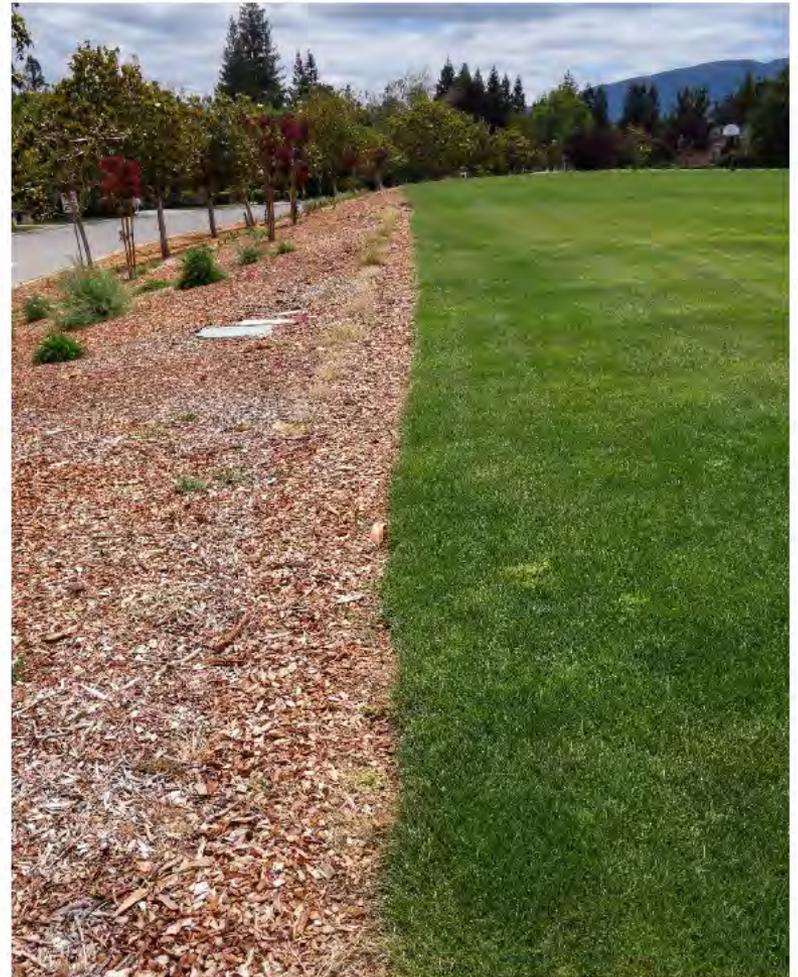
programs • classes • activities • trips • teen services • facility and park rental • risk management

408.868.1249

[www.saratoga.ca.us/recreation](http://www.saratoga.ca.us/recreation)

# RECENT ACTIVITIES

- Initiation of litigation against Caltrans – State Route 85 Express Lanes Project
- Partial Payment of Unfunded Accrued Liability
- Water Conservation Efforts
- Lighting & Landscape District Match Program



# LOOKING AHEAD

- Road Maintenance
- Quarry Park
- Prospect Road Median
- Quito Road Bridges
- City Website Redesign
- Village Visioning





# **NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH**

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*The Benefits & Forming a  
Neighborhood Watch Group*

**Presentation By:  
Santa Clara County Sheriff's Office**



# INTRODUCTIONS

**Deputy Chad Garton, School Resource Officer**

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**Captain Rick Sung, Commander West Valley Patrol**



# AGENDA

- **History of Neighborhood Watch**
- **How to start a NHW program**
- **Security and safety topics**
- **Neighborhood involvement**
- **Neighborhood Specific Issues; Q & A's**

# NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH HISTORY

- **Started in Los Angeles in 1970's**
  - Citizens realized that the police can't be everywhere
  - They became the extra eyes and ears for the beat officers
- **Started locally in early 1980's**
  - Saratoga beat deputies conduct presentations

# WHAT IS NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH?

- A community working together & looking out for each other
- A supplement to police presence
- A community that is aware, observes and reports suspicious activity
  - Requires **no physical involvement** by you.
  - Observe and report only.

# NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH GOALS

- Reduce the likelihood of property crimes
- Bring citizens & law enforcement into a cooperative partnership
- Promote a spirit of community within a neighborhood

# HOW TO START

- The Neighborhood Watch program is created, run, and maintained by you and your neighbors
- Contact the Sheriff's Office before contacting the City to obtain signs and request the signs be placed in your neighborhood
- The "How to Start" handbook has many meeting and event ideas to get your group started and to stay active

# NEED ADDITIONAL INFORMATION?

- Go to National Neighborhood Watch Institute website [www.nnmi.org](http://www.nnmi.org) or call (888) 669-4872
- Order a “How to Start (and Maintain a Healthy) Neighborhood Watch Program” handbook.
  - The handbook will walk you step-by-step through the creation of a Neighborhood Watch Group

# WHAT SHOULD YOU LOOK FOR?

- **Suspicious vehicles or persons, not known to the neighborhood**
  - Don't Assume they belong, call us and call your neighbors.
- **Undocumented door to door solicitors**
  - Profit organizations require a city permit
  - Non-Profit organizations do not
- **Unknown persons entering backyards or side gates**

# WHAT SHOULD YOU LOOK FOR?

- Front doors, side gates, garage doors , car doors or trunks standing open.
- Anything else that makes you feel uneasy or unsure. Call us & call your neighbors.

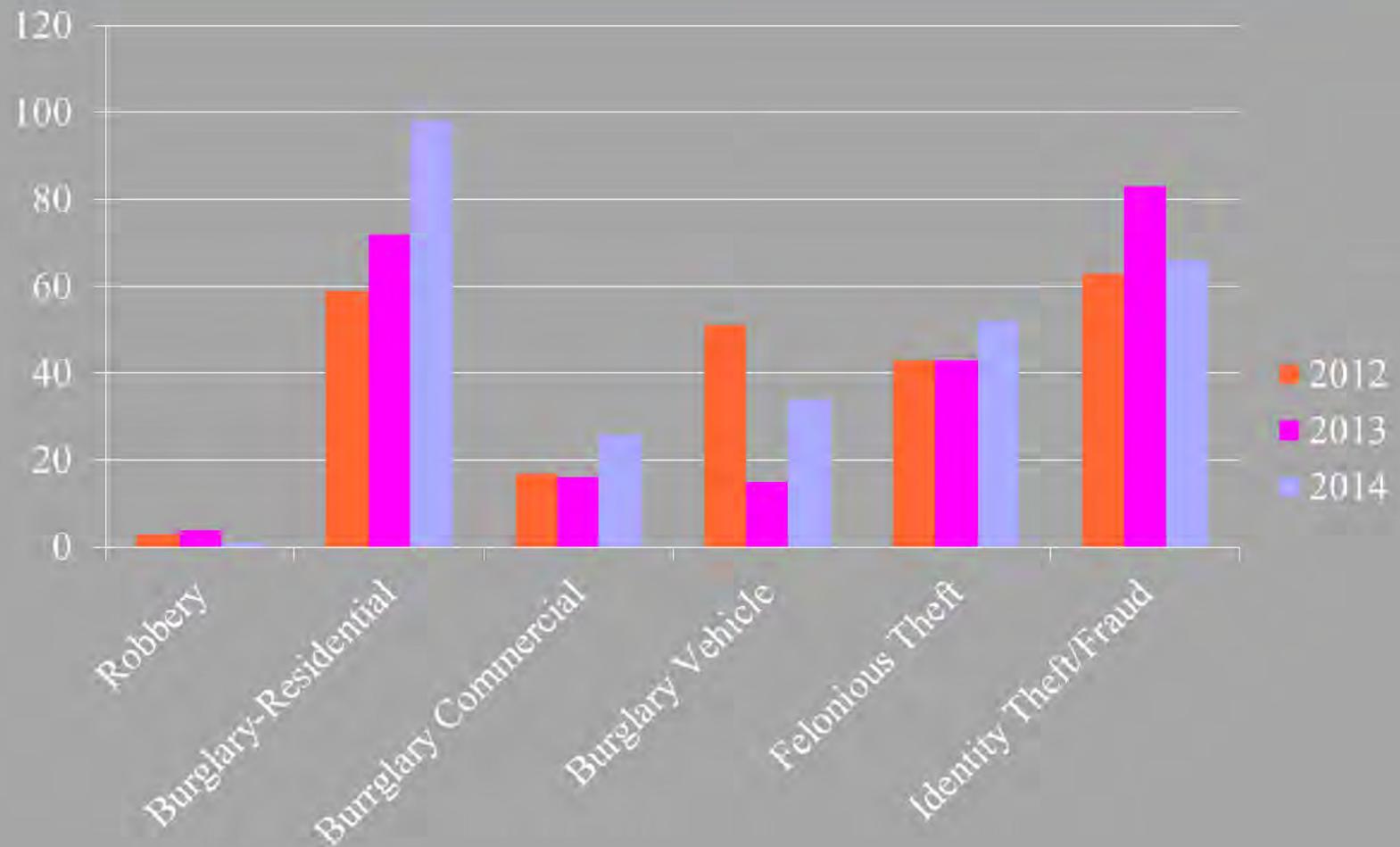
# WHO SHOULD YOU CALL?

- **Call the police and call your neighbors**
- **9-1-1**
  - **If in doubt, always call 911. The dispatcher can identify location of call.**
- **Cellular phones**
  - **911 may go to CHP in Vallejo; expect a transfer delay. Program (408) 299-3233 into your cell phones for Santa Clara County Communications.**

# NEIGHBORHOOD INVOLVEMENT

- **Be an aware neighbor**
  - An aware neighbor knows what goes on in the neighborhood
  - Communicate with your neighbors, if not in person, then by phone, email or fax
  - Get to know your child's friends. Know names addresses & phone numbers
- **Call 9-1-1**
  - Better to be safe than sorry

# CITYWIDE CRIME STATISTICS



# CONCLUSION

- Audience questions, comments, or concerns

# NEIGHBORHOOD REPORTS



- What is your name?
- What neighborhood do you live in?
- What joys or challenges in your neighborhood do you have to share?

THANKS FOR JOINING US!

