



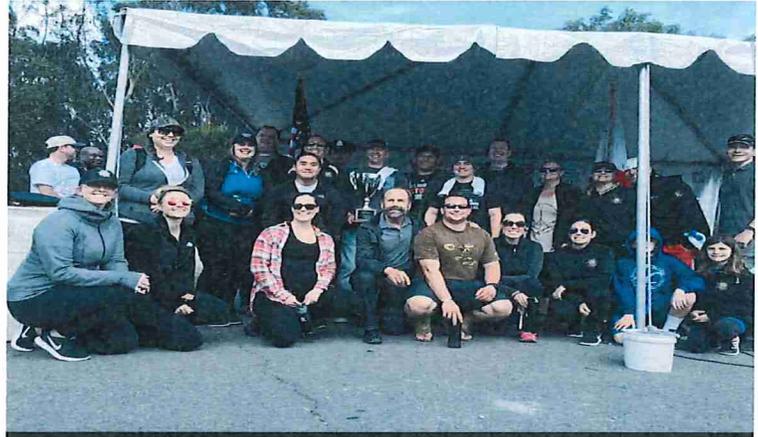
# SBPD TRAFFIC DIVISION

## QUARTERLY REPORT

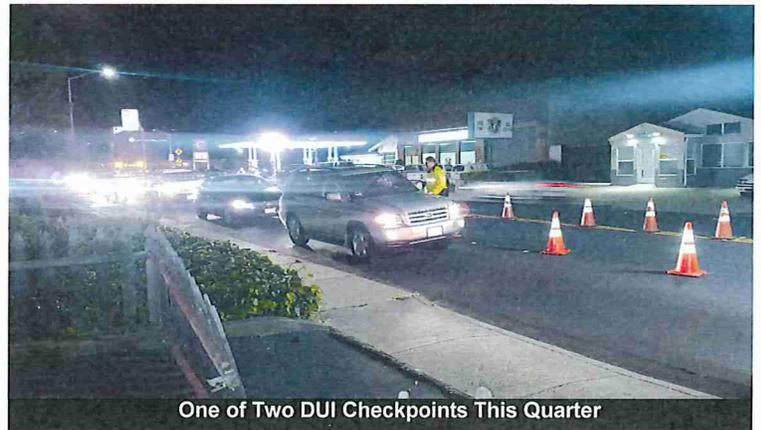
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SBPD—Walk Like MADD Fundraising Champions w/ Senator Jerry Hill

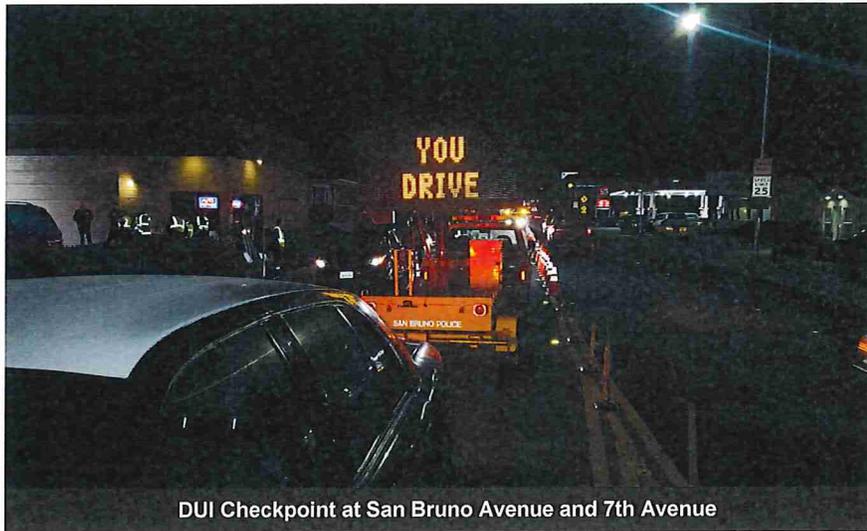


One of Two DUI Checkpoints This Quarter

**Statistics Snapshot**

### Previous Quarter vs. Current Quarter

Category	Previous Qtr.	Current Qtr.
Collisions reported	458	459
Formal collision reports written	120	88
Persons injured in collisions	30	34
DUI arrests	50	67
Traffic citations issued	519	475
Parking citations issued	2641	3190
Abandoned vehicle processes initiated	905	1,020



DUI Checkpoint at San Bruno Avenue and 7th Avenue

## Two OTS-Funded Checkpoints Conducted

We ran two OTS-funded DUI Checkpoints this quarter, one on July 23rd and the other on September 1st. Both of these checkpoints were held during the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's summer deployment period. The summer deployment period has been established to increase DUI enforcement during a time of the year that typically sees a spike in DUI-related injuries and deaths.

The July 23rd checkpoint was held on San Bruno Avenue at 7th Avenue and the September 1st checkpoint was held on San Bruno Avenue at Traeger Avenue. These locations are chosen based upon collision and DUI statistics, as well as the safety of both officers and the public.

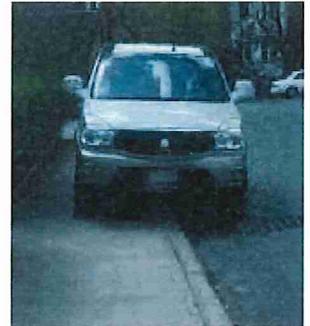
Both checkpoints were in operation for about 6 hours, between 7:30 p.m. and 1:30 a.m., and they yielded the following results:

- ◆ 1,757 drivers screened
- ◆ 58 drivers pulled over
- ◆ 21 drivers administered SFST's
- ◆ 2 drivers arrested for DUI
- ◆ 4 vehicles towed
- ◆ 12 other citations issued
- ◆ Average vehicle screening time = 28.4 seconds

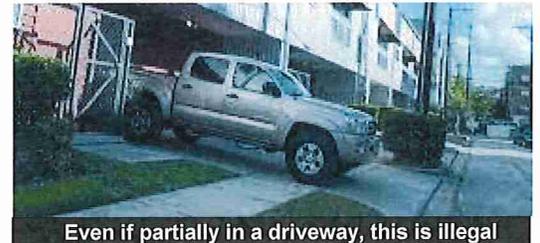
## Blocked Sidewalks

Over the years, many San Bruno residents have grown accustomed to parking their vehicles in ways that obstruct sidewalks. Most of the time, this is not occurring maliciously, but simply as people park in driveways that are too short, or on the curbs to avoid being hit on narrow streets.

This issue recently stepped into the limelight when residents suggested that these sidewalk obstructions create a significant public safety hazard, especially for people using wheelchairs and/or strollers. These people can be forced down sloped driveways and into moving traffic when the sidewalk is blocked.



CA state law makes it illegal to park on or over any portion of a sidewalk (22500(f)-VC). Rather than immediately begin issuing citations for these violations, we have been engaged in a comprehensive public education campaign for nearly a month, in an effort to gain compliance before issuing citations.



## Officer Certified as Drug Recognition Expert (DRE)

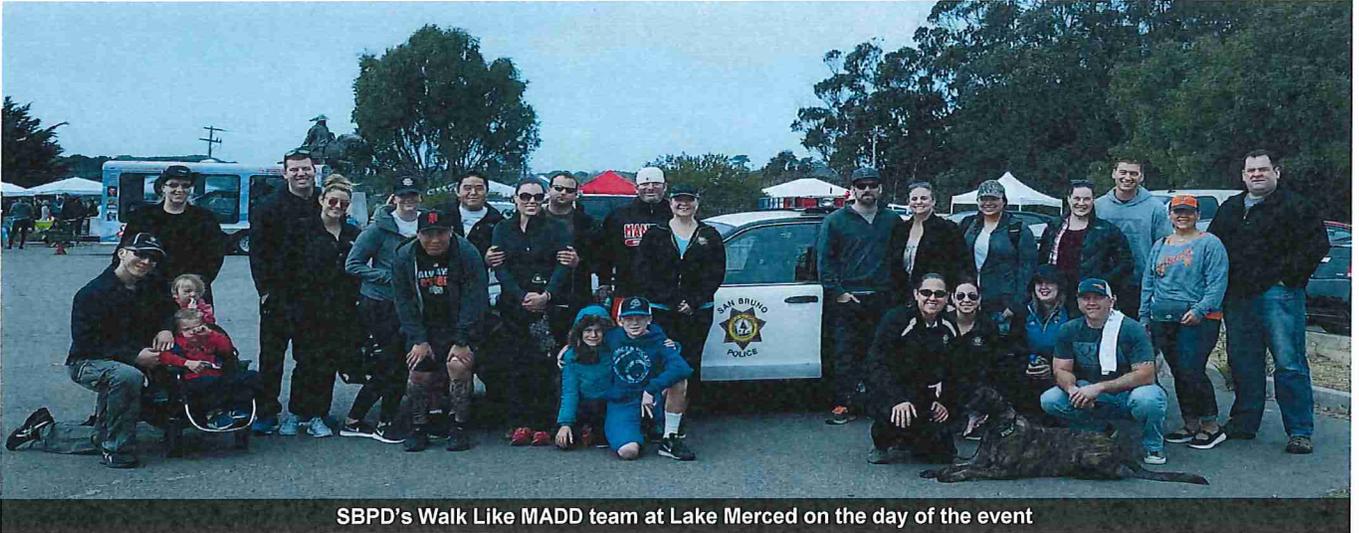
As police departments, non-profits and communities keep up the good fight to stop the violent crime of impaired driving, we have realized that alcohol-impaired driving is just the tip of the iceberg. In fact, it is believed that there are up to three times as many drivers impaired by drugs and prescription medications as there are impaired by alcohol. This presents a number of challenges for law enforcement.

First and foremost, there is no presumptive limit law for driving under the influence of substances other than alcohol. The 0.08% blood alcohol content legislation made alcohol-related DUI enforcement much less subjective and far easier to engage in. There is no such hard line when it comes to enforcing drug-impaired driving. This means that the successful prosecution of drivers that choose to use impairing drugs and drive is extremely challenging and requires a specially educated and certified expert officer known as a DRE. The DRE course is among the most challenging certifications in law enforcement. The course spans two full weeks at eight hours a day and also requires twenty-four hours of practical in-field testing. Many officers that attempt this course do not pass.

We are extremely proud of Officer Scott Smithmatungol, who passed the DRE course and is already hard at work keeping San Bruno's streets safer for all of us.

# SBPD Wins 'Walk Like MADD' Fundraising Title

Over the last couple of years, the San Bruno Police Department has built a powerful partnership with Mother's Against Drunk Driving (MADD). MADD representatives are regularly in attendance at the department's many DUI enforcement operations, providing personnel, supplies, hot coffee and warm, appreciative smiles. Our department's Traffic Sergeant serves on MADD's advisory board and has been a keynote speaker in their national training conferences. MADD's mission is perfectly aligned with that of law enforcement when it comes to impaired driving...make zero deaths from DUI a reality!



SBPD's Walk Like MADD team at Lake Merced on the day of the event

MADD is a non-profit organization with a huge undertaking, and their most critical fundraising event each year is the "Walk Like MADD" event. Supporters of MADD, including many victim families and law enforcement groups put together fundraising teams in an effort to raise essential funds for the many MADD initiatives.

Each year in the Bay Area, there is a competition among police departments to see who can raise the most money for this event. This was San Bruno's first year participating in the walk, and despite being one of the smallest agencies in the competition, we raised more funds than any other group, by almost \$2,000! We were awarded with the traveling law enforcement trophy, handsomely engraved to credit our department's contribution...and we had a ton of fun at the walk on top of it all!

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## Critical New Equipment Acquired

With the new budget cycle that started in July, the Traffic Division was able to acquire some new equipment that is critical to collision investigations and DUI enforcement.

Perhaps the most valuable new equipment we obtained was a Bosch Crash Data Retrieval System (CDR). This machine and accompanying software system enable us to download invaluable information from vehicle event data recorders following collisions. All cars manufactured after 2011 are required to have event data recorders, and many cars built long before then have them as well. These recorders are similar to the "black boxes" used on airplanes and they can provide investigators with concrete data surrounding a collision. This data often includes: vehicle speed, accelerator input, brake input, seatbelt use, airbag deployment, etc.



We were also able to purchase new Preliminary Alcohol Screening (PAS) devices and new Roll-a-Tapes.

PAS's are the portable devices that officers use in the field to better determine the blood alcohol content of drivers suspected of DUI.



Our old PAS devices had become quite old and outdated, and these new devices provide us with all sorts of new testing capabilities. Roll-a-Tapes are used for taking accurate measurements at collisions and crime scenes so that diagrams can be used for forensics.

San Bruno Traffic Death/Injury Statistics - 07/01/16 through 09/30/16

BASIC COLLISIONS	
Total persons <b>killed</b> in collisions	0
Total persons <b>injured</b> in collisions	34
NIGHT TIME COLLISIONS	
Fatal collisions	0
Injury collisions	31
ALCOHOL-INVOLVED COLLISIONS	
Persons <b>killed</b> in alcohol-involved collisions	0
Persons <b>injured</b> in alcohol-involved collisions	4
Persons <b>killed</b> in alcohol-involved <b>motorcycle</b> collisions	0
Persons <b>injured</b> in alcohol-involved <b>motorcycle</b> collisions	0
DRUG-INVOLVED COLLISIONS	
Persons <b>killed</b> in drug-involved collisions	0
Persons <b>injured</b> in drug-involved collisions	1
ALCOHOL/DRUG COMBO-INVOLVED COLLISIONS	
Persons <b>killed</b> in alcohol/drug combo-involved collisions	0
Persons <b>injured</b> in alcohol/drug combo-involved collisions	1
HIT AND RUN COLLISIONS	
Persons <b>killed</b> in hit and run collisions	0
Persons <b>injured</b> in hit and run collisions	5
PEDESTRIAN COLLISIONS	
Pedestrians <b>killed</b> in collisions	0
Pedestrians <b>injured</b> in collisions	4
BICYCLE COLLISIONS	
Bicyclists <b>killed</b> in collisions	0
Bicyclists <b>injured</b> in collisions	2
MOTORCYCLE COLLISIONS	
Persons <b>killed</b> in motorcycle collisions	0
Persons <b>injured</b> in motorcycle collisions	2

## Grant Replacement Sought

As we reported in last quarter's newsletter, we unfortunately were not awarded a STEP Grant from the Office of Traffic Safety for the new federal fiscal year that began October 1st. These grant funds normally pay for key enforcement activities such as DUI checkpoints, DUI saturation patrols and targeted traffic enforcement.

We are committed to continuing these critical traffic safety activities and we have already applied for alternative funding sources.

In the event that we are unable to secure outside funding, we understand how critical these operations are, and we plan to continue them regardless. Here is a brief summary of our OTS-funded activities for last year:

- ◆ 3 DUI Checkpoints
- ◆ 12 DUI Saturation Patrols
- ◆ 12 Traffic Enforcement Details
- ◆ 4 Distracted Driving Details
- ◆ 4 Seatbelt/Safety Seat Details
- ◆ 16 DUI arrests
- ◆ 3 Public Education Campaigns
- ◆ More than 10,000 people reached
- ◆ More than 200 citations issued

## Follow SBPD on Social Media

If you haven't noticed, we've become far more active on social media, which makes it a great way to keep up with all the goings on in your town from a law enforcement standpoint. Be the first to know about: key arrests, crime trends, traffic initiatives, major investigations, community activities and much more.



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Online Traffic Complaint Form:

[https://sanbruno.ca.gov/gov/city\\_departments/police/online\\_services/traffic\\_complaint\\_form.htm](https://sanbruno.ca.gov/gov/city_departments/police/online_services/traffic_complaint_form.htm)