

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH REPORT



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Summer Vacation Safety

The school year is over, which means summer vacation is here. For teens, summertime is often split between time home alone, at a job, out with friends, or traveling. It's important for teens to know that even though their summer schedules may allow for more freedom than their academic schedules, they still need to follow rules and understand that negative choices will continue to bring negative consequences. Share these tips with teens to help them stay safe during their summertime ventures.

Staying safe at work

- Be sure not to work alone, especially after hours. Create a buddy system for walking to parking lots or using public transportation.
- Keep your purse, wallet, keys, or other valuables with you at all times or locked in a closet, drawer, or locker. Mark other personal items with your name or initials.
- Know the exit routes and evacuation plans for your building.

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ATM Fraud Considerations

- Memorize your Personal Identification Number (PIN). Do not write your PIN down. Do not tell anyone your PIN (including bank employees).
- Shield the ATM keypad from anyone who may be nearby attempting to view your PIN and/or transaction. Use your body as a shield if necessary.
- Retain your transaction receipt if provided and do not throw the receipt away at the ATM site.
- Immediately report any stolen or lost ATM card to the proper entities including law enforcement.

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Staying safe when home alone

- Remember not to do anything while home alone that you are not allowed to do when your parents are there.
- If you use the Internet, remember to engage in friendly and legal behavior. Be sure not to cyberbully or download pirated music/videos/software. Do not give any personal information (such as your address or phone number) to anyone you meet online. Never let people you meet online know that you are home alone.
- Do not let anyone in your home without a parent’s permission. If something goes wrong while you’re home alone, call a trusted adult or law enforcement officer to help you.

Staying safe with friends

- Using alcohol or drugs is illegal and dangerous no matter where you are or who you are with. Using tobacco is dangerous, too. Do not allow yourself to give in to peer pressure or make poor choices.
- Pay attention to the road when driving with friends. Car accidents are one of the leading causes of death for teens.
- Before you leave your house, tell your parent or caregiver where you are going, who you are going to be with, and when you will return.

**No Fireworks
in Covina**

Covina Municipal Code
8.60.020

Possession/Use/
Discharge of fireworks
without valid permit and
license unlawful.

It shall be unlawful for any person to display, possess, manufacture, sell, give away, fire, use or discharge fireworks kits of any class, including Class C “Safe and Sane” fireworks, and fireworks known as snappers or poppers, unless a permit authorizing such has been issued to that person by the fire chief, and unless such person is in possession of a valid pyrotechnic operator’s license issued by the office of the State Fire Marshal. The issuance of the permit is subject to fees established by the city council.

Avoid Distracted Driving

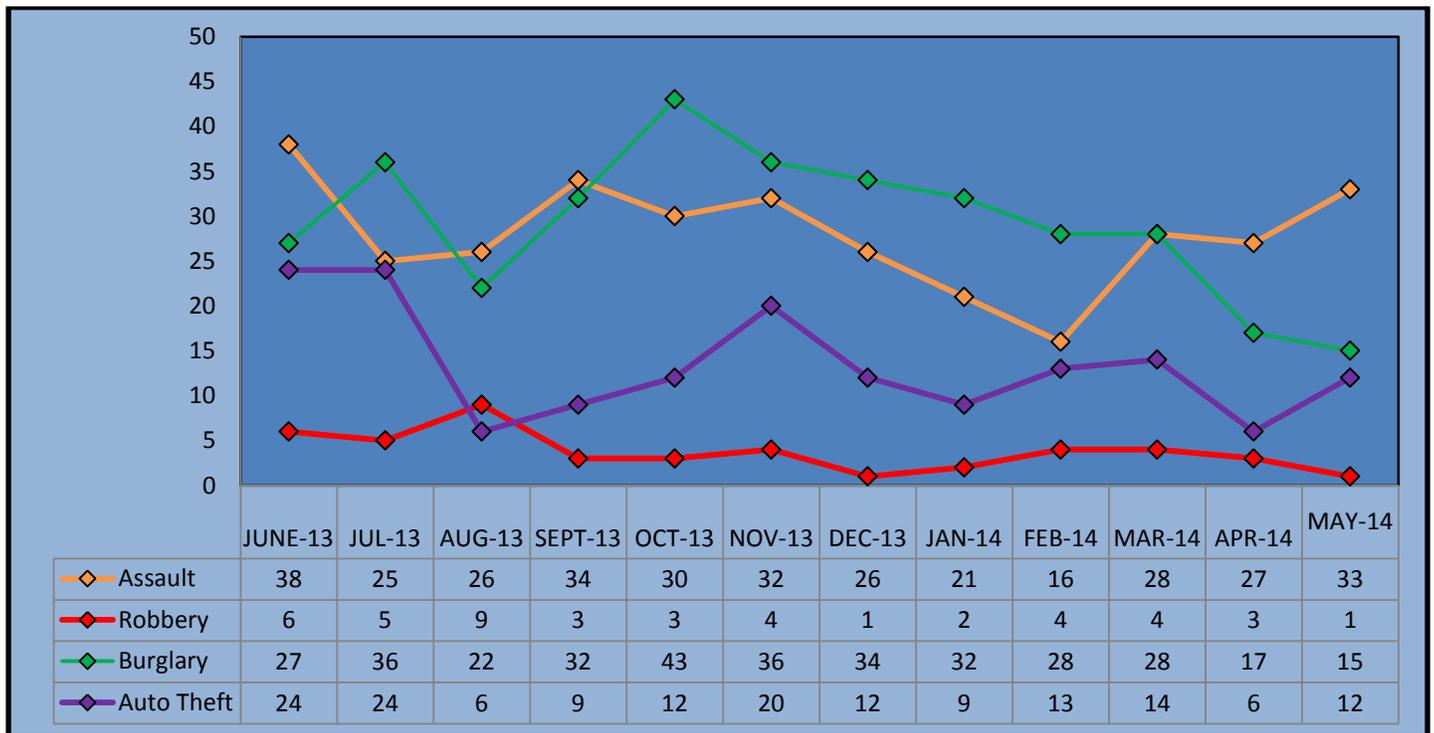
Distracted driving is a serious traffic safety concern that puts everyone on the road at risk. In recent years, hundreds have been killed and thousands seriously injured in California as a result of collisions that involved at least one driver who was distracted.

Drivers who use hand-held devices are four times as likely to get into crashes seriously enough to injure themselves. Younger, inexperienced drivers under 20 years old have the highest proportion of distraction-related fatal crashes. In addition, studies show that texting while driving can delay a driver’s reaction time just as severely as having a blood alcohol content of a legally drunk driver.

While driving remember to:

- Turn off your cellular phone and/or put it out of reach while driving
- Utilize hands-free cellular phone devices if necessary
- Include in your outgoing voice message that you cannot answer your cellular phone while you are driving
- Do not call or text anyone at a time when you think they may be driving

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