



BURBANK POLICE DEPARTMENT

COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER - NOVEMBER 2023



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EVENTS

- Veterans Day 11/11
- Matthew Pavelka Remembrance Day 11/15
- Thanksgiving 11/23

Pink Police Cruiser Unveiling

For the sixth year, the Burbank Police Department and Wrapix Imaging of Burbank teamed up in the fight against breast cancer. Burbank Police introduced a vibrant, pink-wrapped Ford Explorer police cruiser for the month of October, which has been designated as Breast Cancer Awareness Month. The purpose behind wrapping this vehicle in pink is to draw attention and encourage regular screenings for the early detection of breast cancer. Wrapix Imaging and 3M Commercial Graphics generously donated all of the vinyl wrap materials and labor.

Burbank Police also joined the Pink Patch Project and sold Burbank Police pink patches during the month of October to raise money for City of Hope and cancer research.

JOIN BPD - NOW HIRING

- Police Recruit / Lateral
- Jailer

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COMMUNITY EVENTS

OCTOBER 2023



National Coffee with a Cop

Ballers and Brew hosted this year's event and generously provided our community with coffee and pastries. This event promotes a stronger bond with our community by offering a chance to meet our officers in a casual environment.



Faith and Blue

This year, the Burbank Police & Saint Finbar Catholic Church teamed up to host the National Faith and Blue weekend. This event facilitates stronger communities by engaging law enforcement officers and local residents through the connections of faith-based organizations.



Drug Take Back

BPD and the DEA hosted the national Drug Take Back Day. This event helps our community rid their homes of unneeded medications that too often become a gateway to addiction.





REX ANDREWS AWARD

Congratulations to Officer Kyles, who was selected as this year's Rex Andrews Police Scholar Award recipient.

Officer Kyles has earned a Bachelor's degree in Physical Education and a Master's in Negotiation, Conflict Resolution, and Peacebuilding, both from Cal State Dominguez Hills. Further, Officer Kyles will be entering a doctoral program in 2024 in Organizational Change and Leadership at Concordia University.

Her academic achievements, coupled with her efforts to educate community members on mental health issues and provide outreach to individuals in need, clearly exemplify that she is a deserving recipient of this \$1,000 award by the Rotary Foundation.

Newest Burbank Police Officers



The Burbank Police Department welcomed Police Officers Galgano, Hall & LaBruno, who graduated from LASD Police Academy, Class 467.

Our newest officers started their training program within the Patrol Division.

THE BURBANK POLICE DEPARTMENT PRESENTS THE

2023 OFFICER OF THE YEAR AWARD

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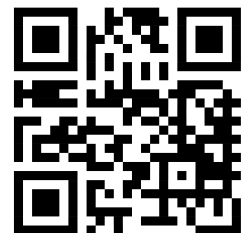
Officer R. Martinez



The City recognized Officer Martinez at the October 17th City Council meeting as Officer of the Year.

He was nominated and selected for his unwavering commitment to his duties, exemplary work ethic, collaborative teamwork, and his remarkable overall service to the City.

BURBANK POLICE DEPARTMENT **NOW HIRING**



POLICE OFFICER
\$90,897- \$113,517 ANNUALLY

APPLY ONLINE
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BENEFITS & INCENTIVES

- Medical, Dental and Vision insurance
- "3/12" patrol work schedule
- Initial bonus incentive of 80 hours vacation time PLUS 80 hours of sick time upon academy graduation
- Additional 104 to 184 hours of vacation time awarded annually, based on years of service
- Ten (10) paid holidays per year, plus two additional "floating" holidays earned annually
- Lateral applicants who are classic CalPERS members retain 3% @ 50 PEPRA CalPERS retirement pension of 2.7% at age 57
- Monthly education pay for Associate, Bachelor, and Master Degrees
- Bilingual pay
- Up to 75% tuition reimbursement
- Annual uniform allowance
- CA P.O.S.T. certificate incentives
- Longevity pay

OPPORTUNITIES

SPECIALTY ASSIGNMENTS:

- Field Training Officer
- Air Support
- S.W.A.T.
- K-9 Unit
- Investigations
- Traffic/Motors
- Community Resource Officer
- School Resource Officer
- Gang Enforcement
- Mental Health Evaluation Team
- Bicycle Patrol

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Traffic Enforcement & Education

The Burbank Police Department is committed to ensuring the safety of the citizens in our community. Impairment, speeding, street racing, and other dangerous driving behaviors jeopardize the safety of other people on the road. We continue to enforce traffic laws with the goal of reducing collisions, educating the citizens in our community, and keeping our community safe. This is achieved through the establishment of preventative patrols to manage specific categories of unlawful driving behavior.



Traffic enforcement strategies are based on collision data, enforcement activity records, traffic volume, and traffic conditions. Several methods contribute to our overall goal:

arrests, citations, warnings, and education. Through these methods and efforts, we strive to educate our community on the importance of safe driving and we aim to keep our community safe.


Traffic Enforcement Stats: OCTOBER 2023

DUI ARRESTS	→	29
TRAFFIC CITATIONS	→	461
PEDESTRIAN COLLISIONS	→	7
BICYCLE COLLISIONS	→	3
TOTAL COLLISIONS	→	74

DUI

DOESN'T JUST MEAN

BOOZE



There are a lot of ways to get a **DUI** these days, but you have a lot of choices to get you home safely.

- > Text a friend
- > Schedule a ride
- > Call a cab

Whatever you do, designate a sober driver.



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Funding for this program was provided by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

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CALIFORNIA OFFICE OF TRAFFIC SAFETY

Fallen Heroes Remembered

HONORING OFFICER MATTHEW PAVELKA

20th Year Commemoration

Wednesday

November 15

2:30-3:00pm

**JOHNNY CARSON PARK
400 Bob Hope Dr. Burbank
Near 'Defenders of the
Constitution Monument'
South Park location.**



**Unveiling commemorative Plaque &
Flag Pole dedicated to Officer Pavelka**

burbankpolicefoundation.org

As a Burbank Police Officers' Association tradition, two wreaths will be placed at The Guardians statue to honor our fallen heroes. The laying of the wreaths will be presented by the Burbank Police Department Honor Guard. November 15 will mark the 20th anniversary of BPD Fallen Officer Matthew Pavelka (pictured), End of Watch, November 15, 2003. Matthew Pavelka was appointed as an officer for the City of Burbank on August 5, 2002.

The BPD had not lost an officer in the line of duty by gunfire for more than eighty-three years. On the evening of November 15, 2003, Officer Gregory Campbell had stopped a vehicle, without license plates, containing two males. The area where the stop was made was well known for drug trafficking and other criminal activity, so Campbell wisely called for backup.

The first officer to respond was 26-year-old Mathew Pavelka, who had been in the field as a police officer for just ten months. When Campbell and Pavelka approached the suspect's vehicle and ordered the two male subjects to exit, they both exited firing their weapons. Both Campbell and Pavelka were wounded several times, but in the ensuing exchange of gunfire, the officers mortally wounded one of the gunmen. The other suspect escaped on foot.

Both of the wounded officers were transported to a local hospital, where Officer Pavelka succumbed to his injuries and Officer Campbell was treated and remained in critical but stable condition.

On Thanksgiving Day, November 27, 2003, the suspect who fled was taken into custody.

Fallen Heroes Remembered

Deputy City Marshal Luther Colson

November 16 will mark the anniversary of BPD Fallen Deputy City Marshal Luther Colson, End of Watch, November 16, 1914. Luther Colson was appointed as a City Marshal for the City of Burbank on February 21, 1914.

Colson was on duty November 16, 1914, at about 7:00 p.m., when he was walking the tracks in the area of Lake Street and Victory Boulevard when a few suspects started shooting at him from the brush. One bullet struck him in the stomach. Colson returned their fire from his own weapon, and after several shots, the suspects fled into the darkness. Colson started to return to town but collapsed, and some citizens transported him to Burbank Hospital for treatment.

The Marshal of Tropic (a small community located at Los Feliz and San Fernando Boulevard, now part of Glendale), with twenty-five deputies, immediately started a manhunt. On November 18, 1914, three suspects were apprehended. One suspect had a weapon on him which was the same caliber that was used in wounding Marshal Colson. After a lengthy interrogation, all the suspects confessed to the shooting. We will always honor our heroes for their service and ultimate sacrifice they made to secure our safety



THE CITY OF BURBANK AND BURBANK VETERANS COMMITTEE
PROUDLY PRESENT



2023 Veterans Day Ceremony

NOVEMBER 10, 2023

MCCAMBRIDGE PARK

CEREMONY 11:00AM

PRE-CEREMONY CONCERT 10:15AM

JOIN US IN HONORING ALL VETERANS AT
THE MCCAMBRIDGE PARK WAR MEMORIAL



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