



SDPD
Central Division
Gaslamp Enforcement
Team

Year In Review

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Mission

Central Division

To maintain peace and order by providing a full range of police services crafted to the needs of Barrio Logan, Logan Heights, Stockton, Grant Hill, Sherman Heights, East Village, Gaslamp, Horton Plaza, Marina, Core-Columbia, Golden Hill, South Park, Balboa Park, Cortez, Little Italy, Harborview, and Park West communities. We will work together to develop partnerships with the communities we serve and strive to maintain positive lines of communication with neighboring law enforcement agencies.



Gaslamp Enforcement Team

Maintain peace and order, respond to the needs of both the business and residential community, ensure the safety and security of visitors to the area, and provide quality police services.

Gaslamp Quarter

Beat 523

The Gaslamp Quarter in downtown San Diego is a world-class neighborhood and business district rich in history and cultural vibrancy. Residents and visitors can choose from an array of entertainment options: theaters, museums, live performances, bars, clubs, cigar lounges, and retail shops.

Every weekend, thousands of patrons visit the Gaslamp District, amounting to over a million unique visitors annually.

The Gaslamp Enforcement Team was created to ensure the safety of patrons, providing crime prevention through accessibility and community engagement as well as rapid emergency response through congested streets.

Areas of Focus

- Holiday, special event, and general crowd management
- Disorderly behavior of nightclub patrons
- Public intoxication
- VICE/ABC licensing
- Pedestrian traffic
- Vehicle traffic
- Pedicabs
- Street entertainers
- Illegal street vendors
- Transients
- Illegal weapons/narcotics



Our Value

Team Overview

The Gaslamp Enforcement Team consists of two sergeants and 18 uniformed officers. They work at the direction of the 520 Service Area Lieutenant.

Hours of operation are 1700 to 0500, Friday thru Sunday, with an eight-hour training day every other week.

Each officer is required to complete the SDPD POST Bicycle Course, and to demonstrate the ability to work effectively and professionally within a dynamic, hostile, and often violent work environment.

Duties and Responsibilities

Exercise teamwork as demonstrated by a strong commitment to the safety and welfare of fellow officers at all times.

Patrol on bicycle with specific emphasis on the Gaslamp Area.

Develop community partnerships and enlist assistance in problem solving.

Reactive and proactive enforcement on known crime areas to deter and prevent criminal activity.

Attend community meetings/forums in the assigned area.

Be an ambassador for the City by willingly assisting visitors.

Staff protest and other planned demonstrations.

Cooperative Relationships

- Gaslamp Quarter Association (GQA)
- Central 520's Patrol/Investigations
- VICE Permits and Licensing
- Crime Suppression Team (CST)
- Critical Incident Management Unit
- City Attorney Liaison
- DA/Crimes Against Peace Officers



Our Team

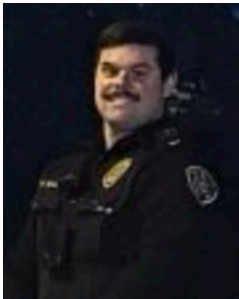
560's



Justin Smith #7447

Sergeant / 560S

Promoted to Sergeant in 2023. Worked Central, Southeastern. Special assignments include Southeastern Investigations, Gaslamp Bike Team (Officer). Former FTO. Time on GET: 3 Years



**Noah McLemore
#1343**

561BK (1.5 yrs)

Pedicab
Enforcement

Intermediate TLO,
ABC Licensing, FET



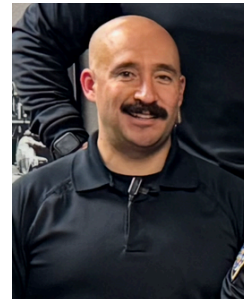
**Donte Grady
#1852**

565BK (.5 YEARS)

NOV Coordination

PERT, ATV/Van/
Trailer

Mentorship Program

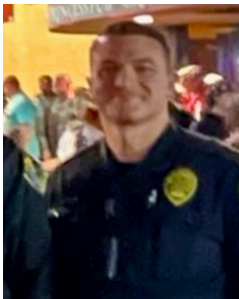


**Juan Ponce
#6859**

566BK (3 yrs)

PRT/SWAT/Critical
Incidents

Bilingual, Special
Munitions, FTO



**Adam Devor
#7245**

567BK (2 yrs)

POA/Rep Program

Volcanic Bike
Mechanic, DUI/
ARIDE, Collision
Investigation, FET

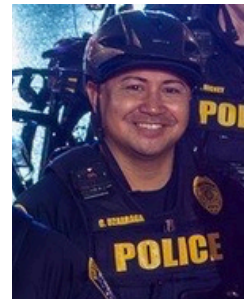


**Austin Paredes
#7816**

568BK (2 yrs)

Events/Intel

Volcanic Bike
Mechanic, Narcotic
Investigations, FTO



**Gerald Uzarraga
#6458**

569BK (12 yrs)

A/Sergeant, Bike
MFF Instructor, Bike
Course Instructor,
Strike Force, VICE/
ABC Licensing

Our Team

570's



Angela Bull #6817

Sergeant / 570S

Promoted to Sergeant in 2022. Worked Mid-City, Northern, Western, Southeastern, Southern. Special assignments include Border Crime Suppression Team, Night Beach Team, Night Investigations Team, ABLE (TFO).
Time on GET: 1 Year

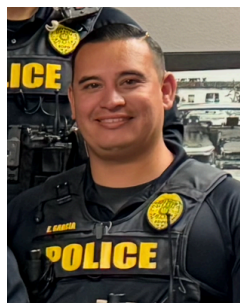


**Garrett Kain
#7718**

571BK (4 yrs)

Office Maintenance

Volcanic Bike
Mechanic, PERT,
Intermediate Rifle,
Trailer/ATV



**Edgar Garcia
#7657**

572BK (4 yrs)

Transport Unit
Coordination

Bike Course
Instructor, MFF
Instructor, DUI/
ARIDE, Trailer/ATV



**Dylan Hickey
#1541**

573BK (1 yr)

CAD Locations

OMG Training,
Trailer, Mentorship
Program

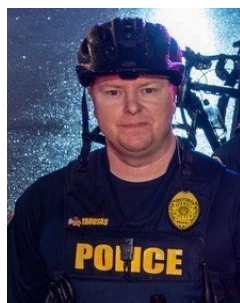


**Dominic Lazaga
#7852**

574BK (4 yrs)

Bike MFF Gear

Bike Class
Instructor, Volcanic
Bike Mechanic,
Trailer/ATV



**Robert 'Dalton'
Trousas #7949**

576BK (4.5 yrs)

PO/Inventory

Bike Class
Instructor, Trailer/
ATV, General
Mechanic

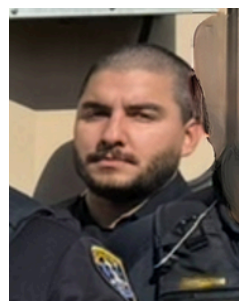


**Alysha Hernandez
#1524**

577BK (.5 yrs)

Traffic Control

PERT, Van,
Intoxylizer



**Felix Campante
#7831**

578BK (3 yrs)

Light Trailer

Volcanic Bike
Mechanic, Bike
Class Instructor,
Trailer, Van



**Oleary Ramos
#1331**

579BK (4 yrs)

DUI Expert

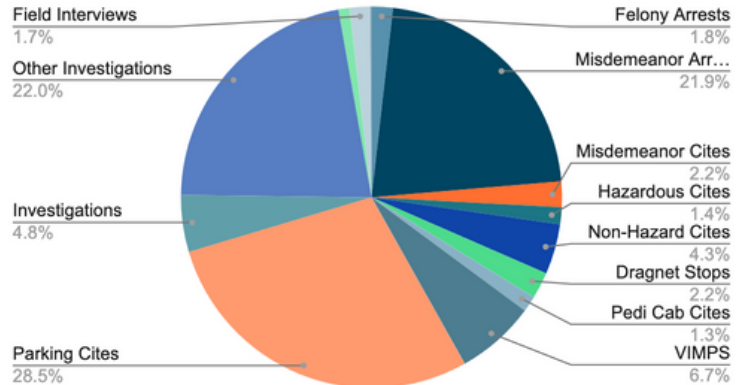
Bilingual, Trailer/
ATV, Intermediate
11550, Advanced
SFST/ARIDE/DRE

Year in Review

Enforcement Activity

	TOTAL	Per Weekend	Per Officer
Felony Arrests	91	1.75	6.07
Misdemeanor Arrests	1,102	21.19	73.47
Misdemeanor Cites	110	2.12	7.33
Hazardous Cites	72	1.38	4.80
Non-Hazard Cites	215	4.13	14.33
Dragnet Stops	113	2.17	7.53
Pedi Cab Cites	68	1.31	4.53
VIMPS	340	6.54	22.67
Parking Cites	1,438	27.65	95.67
Investigations	244	4.69	16.27
Other Investigations	1,109	21.33	73.93
Detentions	48	0.92	3.20
Field Interviews	85	1.63	5.67
Notice of Violations	8	0.15	0.53

TOTAL



Use of Force

GET makes up **over 1/3 of the total use of force** applied by Central Division Officers:

GET: 15 Officers

Individual UOF Applications/Officer (GET): 1,088

Patrol: 44 Officers

Individual UOF Applications/Officer (Patrol): 2,088

GET

PATROL

Service Rendered for UOF (# of Incidents / % of total):

Ped Stop / Proactive Enforcement	341 / 31%	1,222 / 59%	Dispatched Radio Call
Public Fight / Line Patrol	296 / 27%	323 / 15%	Cover Now Response / Assistance
Citizen Flag Down	195 / 18%	167 / 8%	Proactive Vehicle/Bike Stop
Cover Now Response	116 / 11%	162 / 8%	Proactive Ped Stop
Dispatched Radio Call	100 / 9%	73 / 4%	Citizen Flag Down
Ped Stop (Call Related)	37 / 3%	67 / 3%	Call Related Ped Stop
Ambushed	8 / 1%	27 / 1%	Radio Call Vehicle / Bike Stop
Proactive Vehicle/Bike Stop	8 / 1%	15 / 1%	Code 10/11/12/PRT Assist
Radio Call Vehicle/Bike Stop	1 / <1%	14 / 1%	Warrant Service / Inv Ops Plan
		12 / 1%	Public Fight / Line Patrol
		2 / <1%	Ambushed

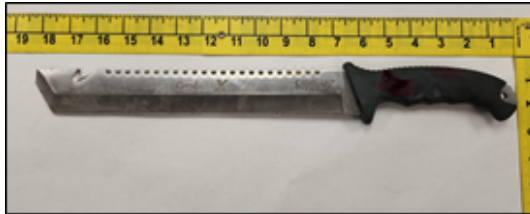
Reason for UOF (# of Incidents / % of total):

Making Arrest or Detention	838 / 76%	1,837 / 88%	Making Arrest or Detention
Assaulting Person	149 / 13%	96 / 5%	Prevent Self Harm
Assaulting Officer	97 / 9%	82 / 4%	Assaulting Officer
Prevent Self Harm	14 / 1%	37 / 2%	Assaulting Person
Damaging Property	5 / <1%	31 / 1%	Damaging Property
4 th Waiver / Warrant Search	1 / <1%	4 / <1%	4 th Waiver / Warrant Search

Average UOF Event per GET UOF Officer
52:1
UOF Officer % of Total Unit Personnel
100%

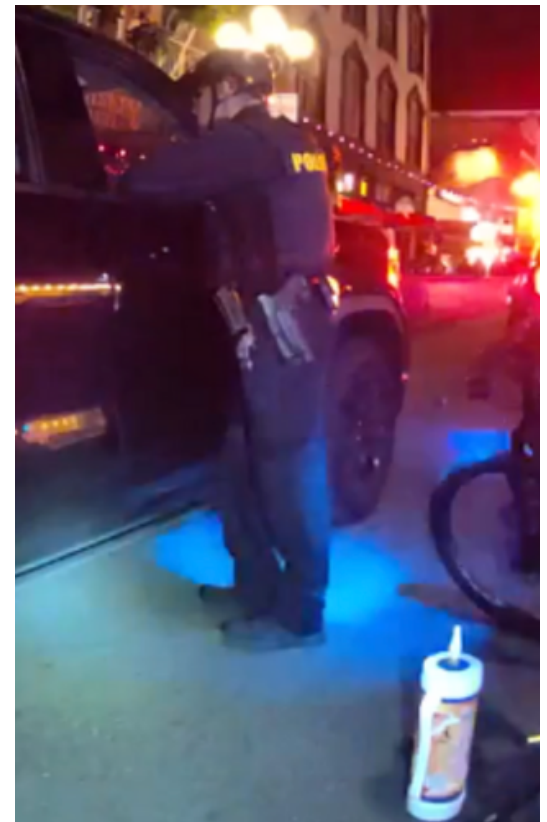
Average UOF Event per P5 UOF Officer
16:1
UOF Officer % of Total Unit Personnel
73%

Trends



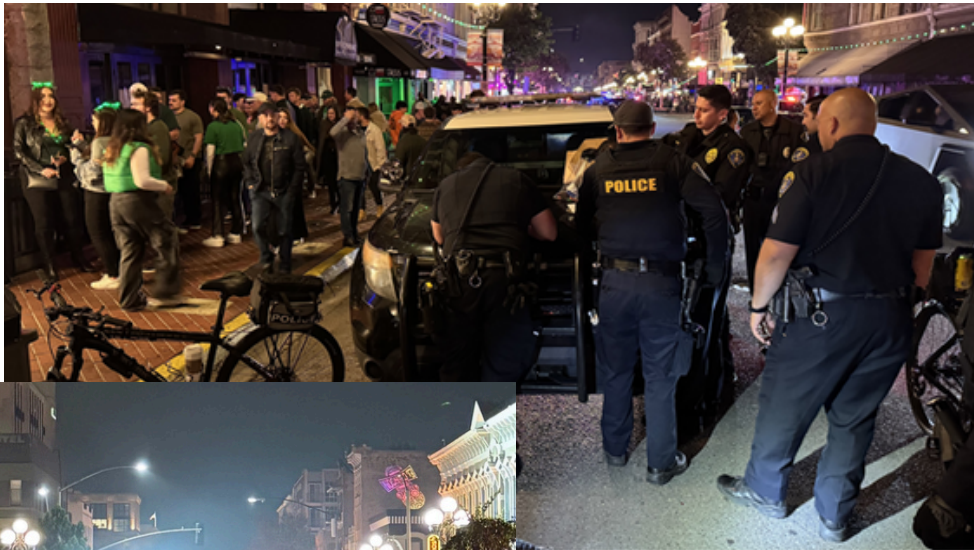
Unique Enforcement Challenges

- Firearms Recovered (11)
- Unusual Dangerous Weapons
- Dragnet Stops/Pursuits
- Nitrous Oxide/"Galaxy Gas"
- Prevalence of Narcotic Sales



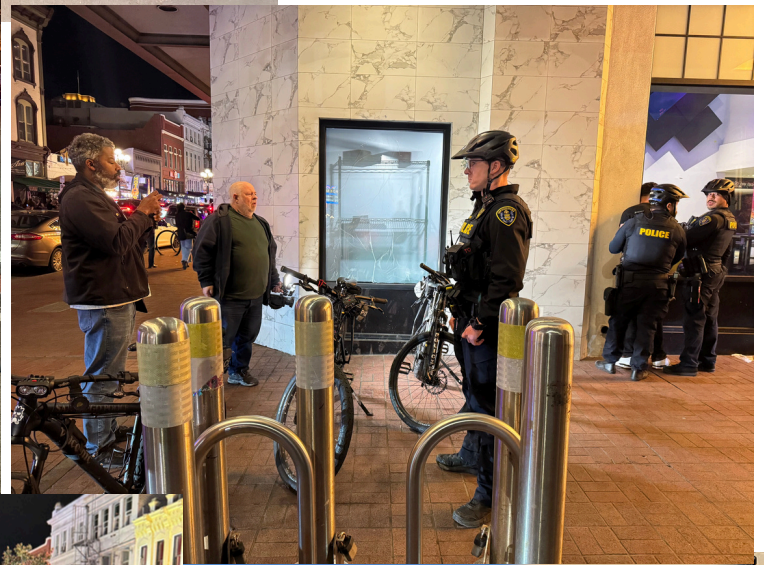
Special Details

- Protest Crowd/Traffic Control
- Holiday Operations (St. Patrick's Day, Halloween, New Year's Eve)
- Cub Scouts 'Bike Safety Patrol' Program
- Little Italy Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony



Collateral Duties

- Bike Maintenance
- Office Upkeep
- BRT/MFF Gear
- Parts Inventory and Purchase Orders
- Light Trailer
- Traffic Control/Parking Enforcement
- Notice of Violations (in cooperation with VICE)
- Pedicab Enforcement
- Positive Community Interactions
- Media Relations
- Special Projects (GQA Safety Meeting, Rideshare Restrictions, Superbike, etc.)
- Training Coordination



Summary

The Gaslamp Enforcement Team is comprised of a committed, unified group of SDPD Officers who love what they do and are good at doing it.

GET Officers perform consistently and diligently in the face of hostile, violent crowds, intoxicated subjects, and the presence of dangerous weapons, in a persistent state of vulnerability.

GET is a self-sufficient and driven team that networks with patrol, investigative units, specialized teams, and community groups to achieve their goals.

GET is more visible, and under more scrutiny, than any other unit on the department. They require additional resources and support to carry out their mission of maintaining peace and order in the Gaslamp District.

What's Next in 2026

- Recruiting Strategies for Summer
- NOV Enforcement/VICE Ops
- CST Operations in E St Lots
- Narcotics Sales Details
- Public Restroom Initiatives (GQA)

