




Mount Rainier Police Department

Memorandum



May 3, 2011

TO: Mayor & Council
City Manager

FROM: Michael E. Scott 
Chief of Police

SUBJECT: Police Chief's Report – May 2011

Crime:

- The crime statistics for the month of April 2011 are attached to this report. The numbers for the first third of 2011 show an increase in overall Part I crime of 19%. We have seen crime drop by about a third during the past month. The bright spot in the overall crime picture for April is the fact that we had no reported burglaries for the month. The crimes of robbery (+45%), aggravated assault (+80%) and burglary (+43%) continue to be our number one concerns as they are for the other jurisdictions in the District I area. By comparison, PGPD District I is experiencing a 12% increase in citizen robberies, and a 6.4% increase in residential burglaries; and, the City of Hyattsville is experiencing slightly more than a 4% drop in citizen robberies and a 145% increase in residential burglaries.

Grants:

- The following grant applications are pending:
 - Community based organizational development partnership with local non-profits, \$5,000.
 - We continue to work with Chief David Mitchell of the University of Maryland Police Department and several other departments in our MOU group to formulate a state/federal grant application that will establish a regional ShotSpotter network from the Beltway to the DC border.
 - Our DOJ technology integration grant application was filed on February 14th. We do not expect to hear any word from DOJ on our application for at least several months.
 - On May 25th we will submit a grant application to the US Department of Justice, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services, COPS Hiring Program. The CHP will provide entry level salary and benefits funding for *one* police officer for three years. If we receive an award under this grant the City must agree to retain the officer for a period of one year after the conclusion of the 3-year federal funding.
 - We submitted our annual CSAFE grant application to the Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention today. Our request is for funding of \$36,000 for FY12. This includes \$11,000 in police overtime and \$25,000 for the CSAFE grant coordinator.
 - We submitted a grant application to the Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention for a juvenile accountability block grant in the amount of \$67,000. If

awarded, the grant will fund one full time and two part time positions to provide wrap around services to at risk youth in the City.

Vehicles:

- The 4WD vehicle approved, purchased and delivered in the FY11 budget has been completely outfitted with emergency equipment and MRPD exterior graphics and is now assigned to SGT Williams for patrol duty.
- We have ordered a new Dodge Charger police vehicle to replace the one that was totaled on Saturday April 2nd. LGIT settled the insurance claim on the vehicle and paid the City \$14,125. We were able to salvage the majority of the emergency equipment from the wrecked cruiser so it will cost an additional \$10,000 (approximately) of City funds for the replacement vehicle. It will be at least 2-3 months before we receive it from the dealer.

Speed Camera Program Summary - April 2011			
Location	Issued	Paid	Unpaid
Rhode Island Avenue, SB @ 37th Street	2,096	334	1,762
Arundel Road	74	18	56
Rhode Island Avenue – January-April 2011			
January	5,084	3,361	1,723
February	3,513	1,900	1,613
March	4,050	809	3,241
April	2,096	334	1,762
Total	14,743	6,404	8,339

**April 2011 Selected Offenses
by Team Policing Area**

Date	Offense	Location			TPA
08-Apr-11	Assault – Aggravated	3300	BL	CHILLUM RD	1A
14-Apr-11	Vandalism	3200	BL	QUEENSTOWN DR	1A
15-Apr-11	Theft - From Auto	4200	BL	32ND ST	1A
19-Apr-11	Theft < 500	3300	BL	BUCHANAN ST	1A
21-Apr-11	Stolen Vehicle	3300	BL	BUCHANAN ST	1A
02-Apr-11	Assault – Aggravated	3700	BL	35TH ST	1B
02-Apr-11	Sexual Assault	4000	BL	35TH ST	1B
06-Apr-11	Theft - From Auto	3700	BL	35TH ST	1B
12-Apr-11	Assault – Aggravated	3700	BL	RHODE ISLAND AV	1B
02-Apr-11	Stolen Vehicle	4600	BL	29TH ST	2A
04-Apr-11	Theft - From Auto	3100	BL	QUEENS CHAPEL RD	2A

07-Apr-11	Stolen Vehicle	4300	BL	KAYWOOD	DR	2A
08-Apr-11	Stolen Vehicle	2700	BL	ALLISON	ST	2A
10-Apr-11	Robbery – Citizen	4700	BL	27TH	ST	2A
10-Apr-11	Theft - From Auto	4200	BL	28TH	ST	2A
11-Apr-11	Theft - From Auto	3100	BL	QUEENS CHAPEL	RD	2A
12-Apr-11	Theft - From Auto	4400	BL	28TH	ST	2A
17-Apr-11	Property Damage	3100	BL	UPSHUR	ST	2A
21-Apr-11	Vandalism to Auto	4200	BL	31ST	ST	2A
23-Apr-11	Robbery – Citizen	4200	BL	KAYWOOD	DR	2A
26-Apr-11	Vandalism to Auto	4600	BL	25TH	ST	2A
12-Apr-11	Theft – Vehicle tags	4000	BL	34TH	ST	2B
17-Apr-11	Theft - From Auto	3300	BL	OTIS	ST	2B
21-Apr-11	Theft – Vehicle tags	4000	BL	30TH	ST	2B
22-Apr-11	Theft - From Auto	4000	BL	31ST	ST	2B
24-Apr-11	Theft - From Auto	3200	BL	BUNKER HILL	RD	2B
24-Apr-11	Theft - From Auto	3200	BL	SHEPHERD	ST	2B
24-Apr-11	Vandalism to Auto	3800	BL	31ST	ST	2B
24-Apr-11	Vandalism to Auto		BL	31ST	ST	2B