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Weekly Activity Report 07/12/2017 – 07/18/2017

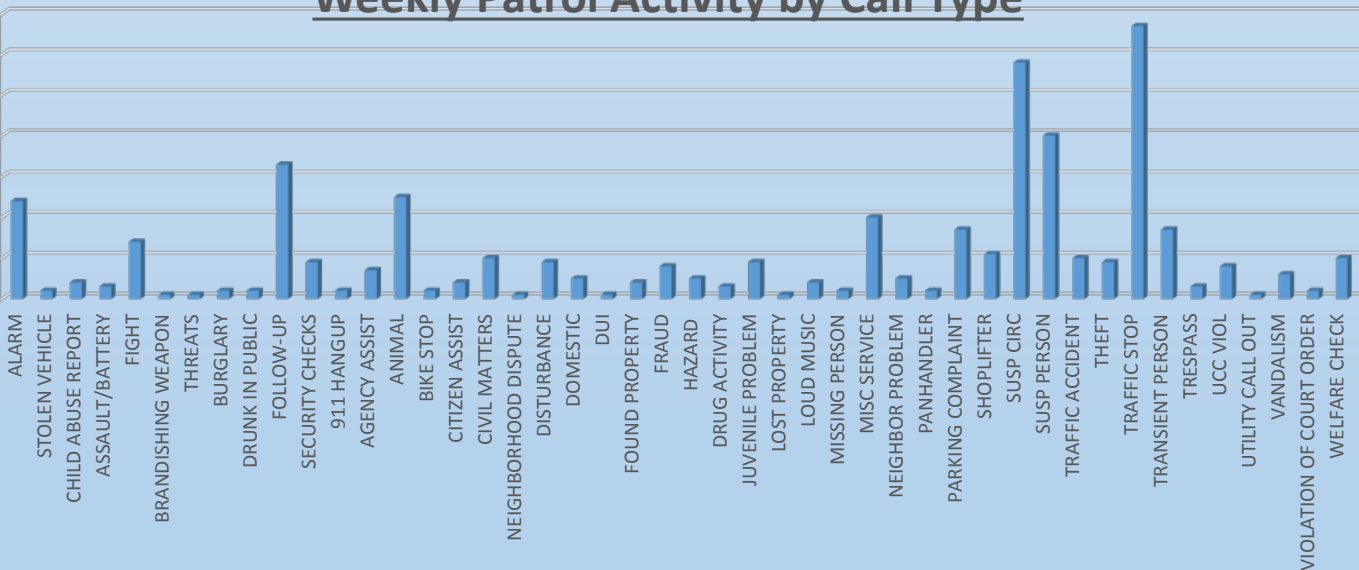
Patrol Division

Calls For Service:	489
Reports:	65
Misdemeanor Arrests:	22
Felony Arrests:	8
Traffic Warnings:	32
Traffic Citations:	37
Non-Moving/Other Citations:	4

Top 5 Call Types of the Week

- Suspicious Persons/Circumstances (98)
- Transient Related Calls (48)
- Animal Calls (25)
- Alarms (24)
- Theft/Shoplifting (22)

Weekly Patrol Activity by Call Type



For further details about the Ukiah Police Department incident activity, please visit our website at www.ukiahpolice.com. View our Daily Press Log under the "News" tab.

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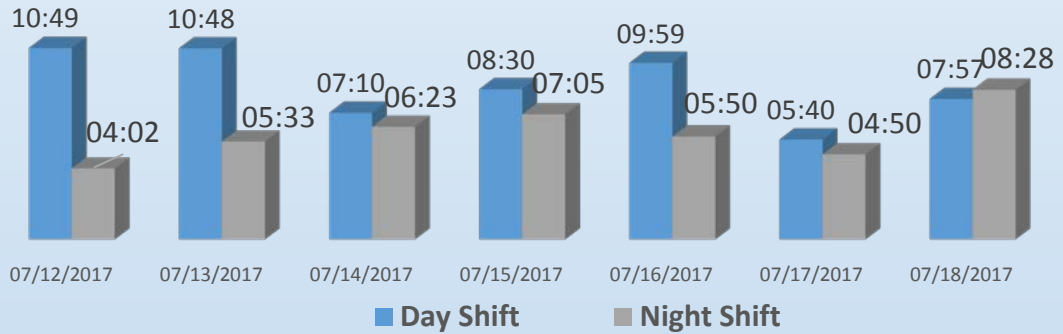
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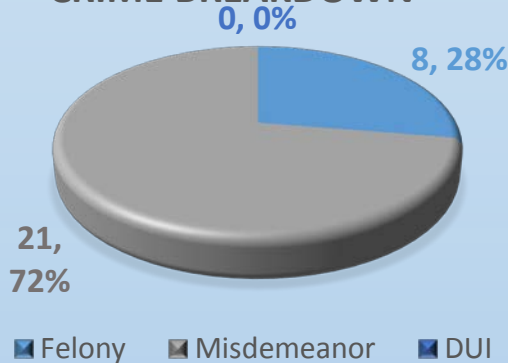
Daily Average Response Times (mm:ss)



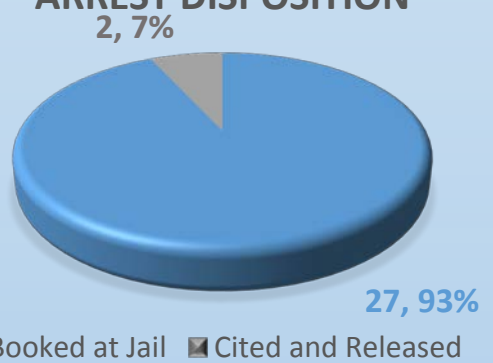
The Patrol Division's response time to in-progress calls was just over 3 minutes.

The average response time to all calls was just over 7 minutes.

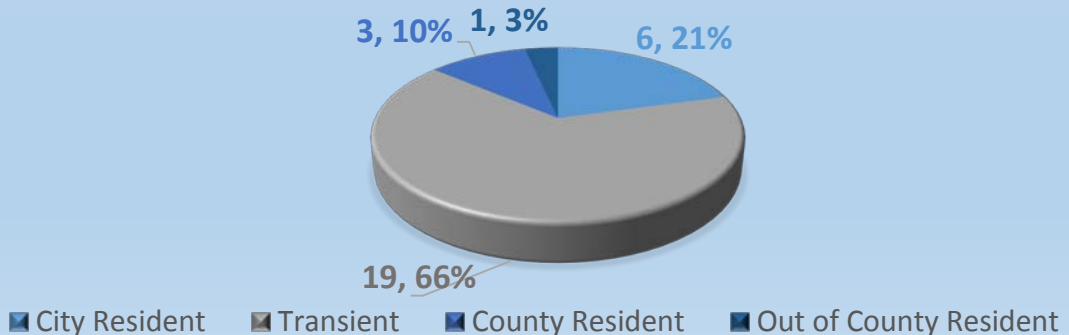
CRIME BREAKDOWN



ARREST DISPOSITION



ARREST RESIDENTIAL DEMOGRAPHICS





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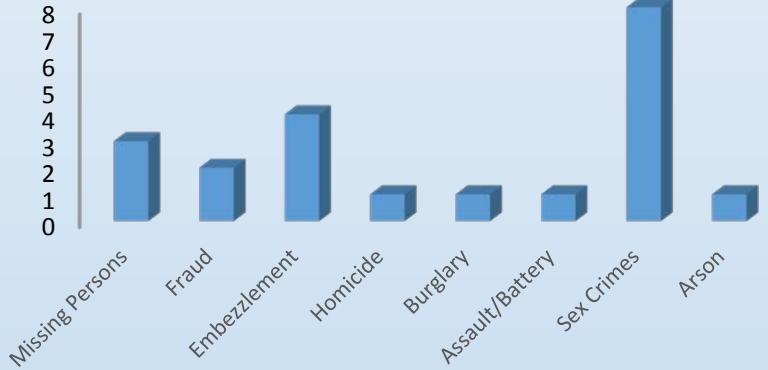
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Detective Division

Ongoing Investigations Activity

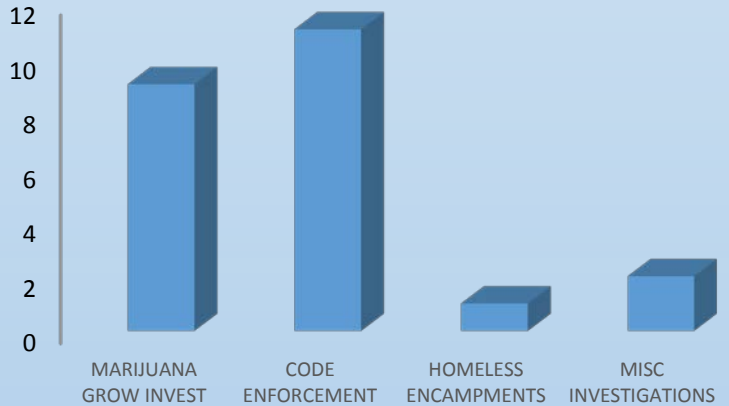
DA Case Dispositions		
<u>Number of Cases Filed</u>	512	79%
<u>Number of Cases Rejected</u>	87	13%
<u>Number of Cases Pending</u>	50	8%



Special Enforcement Team

SET Activity by Type

SET Activity	
Number of cases assigned to SET since January 2017	100



Crime Prevention

<u>Weekly Activity</u>	<u>Week</u>
<u>Number of Businesses Visited</u>	10
<u>Number of Volunteer Hours</u>	5
<u>CPTED Accepted for Review</u>	3



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From the Ukiah Daily Journal:

Safety Program Well Worth it

We applaud the teaming of the Ukiah Police Department with the Walk and Bike Mendocino organization to bring high quality bicycle helmets to youngsters in our community at a low cost to parents.

The helmets can be purchased for as low as \$5. They are quality helmets, designed with a ratchet tightening system for quick, easy fitting. They are not only very safe, but stylish too.

California law requires all people under 18 to wear a helmet while on a bicycle (or scooter, skateboard or in-line skates). The reason is that falling off of, or crashing on a bicycle can cause serious head injuries that can do lifelong damage to young brains.

Over the years, UPD Chief Chris Dewey has made safe walking and biking a priority subject for the local police and we appreciate his getting the UPD involved in this really good effort. (We seem to remember young Officer Dewey riding a bicycle through town as a community service patrolman way back when.)

Walk and Bike Mendocino is dedicated to educating the public about bike safety and they have been extremely helpful getting these helmets distributed and even are willing to help fit them on any young child at the various event they host in town.

It's a wonderful program and if you want to know more, go to walkbikemendo.org. or call them at 707-467-3217.



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Simply Slow Down

Summer sure goes by fast. It's hard to believe summer is already halfway through; and in a few more weeks, we'll be getting the kids ready for school again. I hope you've been finding time to get out and enjoy the weather, maybe taking walks or going on some bike rides to get a little exercise. Sadly, some people tell me they don't get out as often as they'd like, because they are afraid of our local drivers. Based on the number of complaints about speeding and other traffic violations we receive here at the Ukiah Police Department, I'd say it's time for people to slow down.

Although we enjoy a slower pace of life here in Ukiah, some local drivers do not drive as slowly as they should. When they speed, they increase the likelihood that they'll be involved in a collision with another car, or even a bicyclist or pedestrian. The reality is that we can all help prevent these accidents by simply slowing down, so please slow down while driving, especially near bicycles and pedestrians.

Most experienced cyclists will tell you they ride defensively, because no matter how right they are, a motorist in the wrong can still injure or kill them—especially a speeding motorist. While recent research indicates that helmets reduce the risk of head injuries for cyclists by 63 to 88 percent, the best way to avoid injury is to avoid accidents altogether. So, my advice is to wear a helmet while you're biking, and please, buy a helmet for your kids!

If you're looking for ways to teach your kids about bike safety, Walk & Bike Mendocino is a great place to start. Walk & Bike Mendocino is a local non-profit that hosts regular safety events for kids, as well as other bike-related events for the whole family. You can learn more about upcoming events and everything that Walk & Bike Mendocino has to offer by visiting their website at

www.walkandbike.org, or following their Facebook page at www.facebook.com/WalkBikeMendocino.

If you're a motorist, please take a moment to recognize that bicycles do not have safety features—no seat belts or crumple zones, no air bags, nothing between the person and the road (except maybe a bike helmet), so please give them a little extra leeway to help ensure their safety.

Sharing the road with a cyclist is simple:

Allow extra space when passing bicyclists. If possible, give a bicyclist at least 3-4 feet of space when passing.

Slow down. Reduce your speed when approaching and passing a bike.

Keep your eyes open. Bikes can be hard to see, especially in your blind spots. Please pay special attention when driving through intersections and while parking.

Be extra cautious around kids on bikes. Expect the unexpected when you see a kid on a bike. Slow down and give them as much room as you safely can.



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Simply Slow Down (cont.)

When people are in a hurry, they rarely think about how deadly speeding can be to them and those around them. When we speed, it's harder to slow our vehicles enough to steer safely around dangers like an unexpected curve, another vehicle, or a hazardous object in the road. In school zones and residential neighborhoods, speeding makes it more difficult to stop in time for children and other pedestrians crossing the road.

Because speeding dramatically increases the chances of being involved in a crash, our officers strictly enforce speed laws, especially in neighborhoods where residents commonly complain about speeders and in other areas where pedestrians commonly walk along the road and/or cross the road.

If you're a parent planning to talk with your teen about driving, visit driveithome.org; it's a great resource to help keep teens safe when driving.

Please help us keep Ukiah safe by simply slowing down.

As always, our mission at UPD is simple: to make Ukiah as safe as possible. If you have suggestions on how we can improve please feel free to call me. If you would like to know more about crime in your neighborhood, you can sign up for telephone, cell phone and email notifications by clicking the Nixle button on our website: www.ukiahpolice.com.

The Ukiah Police Department has recently received several reports of fraud and scams. Here are some helpful crime preventions tips!

Fraud and Scam Prevention Tips

It's not always easy to spot a CON GAME or FRAUD SCHEME. The con artists are charming and persuasive. It's their job, and they do it well. They can approach you in person, on the phone, over the Internet, or through the media. Most people feel they are too smart to be conned. The fact is, people from all walks of life are defrauded every day and lose billions of dollars every year! The following are common types of scams.

Con Games

Pigeon Drop

A stranger approaches you about finding a large sum of money and wants to share it with you. The catch is, you need to put up "good faith" money. Ask yourself why a stranger would want to give you money THEY found?



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Fraud and Scam Prevention Tips (cont.)

The Bank Examiner

A person claims to be a bank official or detective and wants you to withdraw your money to catch a crooked employee. No bank or police agency will ask you to withdraw money for any reason.

The Obit Column Sting

Fast-buck artists send a surviving spouse bills for phony debts, purchases, etc. If you get an unfamiliar bill after the death of a loved one, check it out before you pay.

Home Repairs

Beware of unsolicited home repair deals that offer unbelievable discounts. Often these deals result in shoddy workmanship, inferior materials and incomplete jobs.

The Pyramid Scheme

Someone offers you a chance to invest in an up-and-coming company with a guaranteed high return. The idea is that you invest and ask others to do the same. You get a share of each investment you recruit. They recruit others, and so on. When the pyramid collapses (either the pool of new investors dries up or the swindler is caught), everyone loses — except the person at the top.

Fraud Schemes

Medical Fraud

Offers of “miracle cures,” lab tests, etc. Beware: see your physician if you have health problems.

Charity Fraud

Give only to charities you are familiar with. Call the Better Business Bureau if in doubt. Listen carefully to the name of the charity requesting money. Fraudulent charities often use names that sound like a reputable, well-known organization. They’ll use the American Cancer Association (instead of the American Cancer Society). Ask for a financial report before you donate; a reputable charity will always send you one.

Vacation/Travel Fraud

Offers free or low cost travel. Beware of hidden costs.

Foreign Lotteries

Illegal. They ask you to pay taxes to collect your “winnings.”

Investments

Get rich quick, pyramid, and ponzi schemes. Check out the company before you invest.

Recovery Fraud

Offer to help you recover the money you lost to other fraud schemes!



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Fraud and Scam Prevention Tips (cont.)

Tips for Spotting a Con Artist

- They offer you something for nothing.
- The offer is too good to be true.
- “One time only” offers.
- Offer is void if not accepted immediately.
- Don’t give you a chance to think, or consult with someone.

Foil the Con Artist

- Stop and think before handing over money to any person or company.
- Don’t let someone into your home without proper identification. Call their office to check them out using the phone number from the phone book.
- Don’t sign anything unless you understand it. See a lawyer if needed.
- Don’t be pressured into making a decision right away.
- If they don’t give straight answers to your questions, end the conversation.
- Call the police if you are suspicious.
- Never give a caller your credit card, phone card, Social Security, or bank account numbers over the phone. It’s illegal for telemarketers to ask for these numbers to verify a prize or gift.

Sweepstakes Scams

Many sweepstakes are legitimate and some people do win money. But the odds of winning these sweepstakes are extremely slim and it may not be worth your time to send in the entries. When considering a sweepstakes, make sure you read the fine print that lists the rules, odds of winning, and certain restrictions to the contest that explain what you have to do to win.

Although some sweepstakes are legitimate, many are not. Here are some tips to avoid being a victim of a sweepstakes scam:

- If you did not enter a contest, chances are you did not win one.
- Do not respond to offers that ask you to purchase something first.
- Do not give out your checking account or credit card number for any sweepstakes contest.
- Chances are, if you enter one contest you will be placed on a “sucker” list and many more offers will follow.
- Beware of offers that ask you to call 900 numbers for a free gift. You may spend more money on the phone call than the gift is worth.