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On March 1 at approximately 1120 hours on duty bike patrol officer Anthony Castellon while patrolling the intersection of 5th and Los Angeles observed a male subject at the middle of the street blocking the traffic and acting incoherent. S/O Castellon immediately made contact with the individual to try to listen to what he was saying in a respectful manner. S/O Castellon provided emotional support and listened as the subject acted in accordance with the request and proceeded to get back onto the sidewalk and depart from the district

On March 5, 2024, at approximately 16:34 hours on duty bike patrol officer Valentin received a disturbance call from 602 L.A Café regarding a male subject refusing to leave the premises. Upon arrival S/O Valentin immediately made contact with the subject who was attempting to remove his clothing. The subject was talking in a confused and unclear way. S/O Valentin remained calm, listened, gave space to talk to the subject and offer reassurance. The subject complied with S/O Valentin instructions to depart from the business and departed from the district

On March 6th at approximately 0845 hours on duty, patrol officer Morales while conducting his patrol at 6th & Spring Street observed that the loft apartments station at the corner of 6th street had a vandalized window. The window was completely shattered and there were multiple pieces of heavy glass on the sidewalk. S/O Morales immediately attempted to locate the security or management team from the building but to no avail. S/O Morales then proceeded to contact LAPD and requested for them to respond to the location to further investigate the incident. At approximately 0900 hours the maintenance engineer for the building arrived on site and made contact with S/O Martinez. After further investigation it was determined that someone hit the glass window with an object causing the window to shatter. The on-duty engineer assisted with boarding the affected area with plywood and LAPD provided uniform presence.

On March 11 at approximately 1800 hours bike patrol officer Valentin received a call from 433. S Spring regarding a Female Subject that was disposing of trash at the front of the building. Upon arrival S/O Valentin made contact with the subject and assess that her impair coordination, tremors, and unsteady movements could indicate that she was under the influence of a control substance. S/O Valentin remain calm and try to gently lead the intoxicated person to a safe environment away from the building. S/O Valentin informed the subject that it would be best if she left the establishment. The subject complied gather her personal belongings and departed from the area. S/O Valentin placed a service request for the Historic BID cleaning crew to clean and power wash the area.

On March 12th at approximately 0250 hours on duty bike patrol officer Novales while patrolling Spring & 6th street observed that there was a burglary alarm that was activated at 225 W. 6th St. S/O Novales immediately responded to the business to further investigate the burglary alarm, there was no force of breaking and entering. S/O Novales observed that the business roll-up gate was completely locked and secured. S/O Novales proceeded to make contact with the business next door and spoke with the on-duty security team. After further investigation it was determined that a male subject was walking Westbound on 6th street when he tampered with the roll-up gate, to force to gain entry when the alarm activated. The suspect was last seen departing from the area Westbound on 6th street. S/O Novales continued to patrol around the area to prevent any further incident.

On March 14th at approximately 1850 hours on duty bike patrol officer Valentin while patrolling 5th & Main Street observe a male subject laying on the floor that appear to need medical assistance. S/O Valentin immediately attempted to communicate with the subject that appear to have an accidental overdose alert. There were signs that the subject had vomited, and he was unable to speak. S/O Valentin further observe that the subject was slowed breathing and immediately proceeded to call 9-1-1 paramedics for further assistance. S/O Valentin remained with the subject and had the 9-1-1 operator on speaker phone until the paramedics arrived on the scene. The paramedic immediately administered first aid and transported the subject to the nears hospital for further analysis.



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On March 15th at approximately 1150 hours on duty bike Sergeant while on patrol observed heavy LAPD & LAFD activity at 640 S main St. Sergeant Morales immediately made contact with LAFD Unit 10, who informed Sergeant Morales that they are responding to an attempt suicide incident. Sergeant Morales immediately assisted with securing the area and directing pedestrian traffic. LAPD & LAFD listen to the person and let them know that they are concerned. They were successful in deescalating the potential suicide incident and the person involved was transported to the nearest hospital for further analysis. S/O Morales assisted as needed until the area was clear

On March 18, at approximately 1200 hours on duty Sergeant Novales observed a female subject at 453 S. Spring that had her personal belongings (various bags of clothes and heavy suitcases) blocking the front entrance of the property. Sergeant Novales immediately made contact with the subject and offered a variety of services agencies available. Sergeant Novales further offers to provide a meal or snack; the subject was very grateful and gathered all the information pertaining to the housing support. The subject took a water bottle from sergeant Novales and proceeded to gather her personal belongings and depart from the area.

On March 21 at approximately 1030 hours on duty Sergeant Ajaa while patrolling the area of 6th and Spring Street was flag down by a pedestrian regarding a male subject that had difficulty breathing. Sergeant Ajaa immediately made contact with the subject and observed that the subject had immediate closing of the eyes, difficulty breathing, runny nose and coughing. The subject stated that he was pepper spray and was complaining of pain and temporary blindness. S/O Ajaa per the request of the victim immediately call 9-1-1 and requested paramedics. S/O Ajaa remained with the victim until the paramedics arrived and assisted with first aid as needed. Upon arrival the paramedic immediately administered first aid and transported the subject to the nears hospital for further analysis.

At approximately 15:50 hours on duty Bike Patrol Officer Jayray Rayford, while patrolling the area of 7th & Broadway was flagged down by a pedestrian regarding heavy smoke coming from the 714 S. Broadway building. Officer Rayford immediately responded to the location to further investigate. Upon arrival at the location at 714 S. Broadway, Officer Rayford observed heavy white smoke coming from the 3rd floor window of one of the units. Officer Rayford immediately placed a 911 call and requested the fire department to be dispatched to further investigate the possible fire. On Duty BID officers Rayford and Castillon assisted LAFD with securing and directing all pedestrian traffic near the area away from the property. LAFD after further investigation determined that the potential smoke was coming from a cleaning crew working inside the unit that was utilizing a cleaning machine. The fumes coming from the machine simulated the potential smoke or fire coming from the 3rd floor. The fire department instructed the contractors to cease the work. LAFD unit 210 informed BID officers that the area was clear, and all vehicle traffic could resume normal operations. Under the command of the LAFD captain all the pedestrian traffic was also advised resumed normal traffic.

On Tuesday 03/26/24 around 0845 hours, Sergeant Ajaa of the security bike patrol responded to a disturbance at the Starbucks on 603 S. Spring Street. Upon arrival, he found a woman, approximately 5'3 in her late 20s, splashing water on her face, claiming she'd been pepper-sprayed and experienced burning sensations in her eyes, nose, mouth, and throat. She had temporary blindness and swollen eyes. Sergeant Ajaa secured the area and offered medical help, which she declined twice, only wanting assistance to leave the premises. Captain Fregoso arrived around 0850 hours, observed her condition, and offered medical aid again, which she refused. After initial first aid, her vision improved. She continued to decline further medical aid and refused to provide more details about the incident.

On Thursday 03/28/2024 around 1230 hours, Captain Fregoso received a call from Historic Core Operations Manager Jose Pacheco regarding property damage at a business. The manager reported damage to an exterior glass window at 612 S Broadway. Captain Fregoso promptly investigated, arriving at the Skechers store. The store manager, Mario, informed him that the incident happened around 21:55 hours the previous night. CCTV footage showed a Hispanic male wearing a black hoodie and gray pants breaking the window with a glass breaker while walking northbound on Broadway. The store manager had already filed a police report online and hired a contractor to board up the damaged window. Captain Fregoso assured him of an incident report and collected digital images of the suspect and property damage.



