

Pico Rivera Station

Problem Specific Policing Team

The Problem Specific Policing (PSP) Team consists of a sergeant and six investigators that are contracted by the City of Pico Rivera to address specific issues and concerns within the City. Their mission is to reduce crime and improve the overall quality of life in the community. To accomplish this mission, the PSP Team works very closely with many city and county code enforcement agencies to address problematic locations in the business and residential communities. As a result, the PSP Team, with the help of local code enforcement agencies, the Department of Children and Family Services, and the Los Angeles County Probation Department, has been very successful in addressing problematic business and residential locations. The Team also assists the City in enforcing Section Eight Housing provisions which forbid narcotic and gang activity on the premises.

The PSP Team enforces a variety of crimes, from misdemeanor narcotic violations to working closely with Homicide Bureau on murder investigations. They have been involved in numerous significant investigations which resulted in the arrest of several homicide suspects.

In 2003-2004, several armed robberies occurred at small businesses throughout the eastern portion of Los Angeles County. The PSP Team investigators, through excellent police work, were able to identify, locate, and arrest the serial armed robber.

The "Mongol" outlaw motorcycle club has been impacted by the PSP Team. By focusing on issues and concerns brought by the community regarding club members, the PSP Team has had an impact on criminal activity by arresting club members for a variety of crimes, including transportation of narcotics, operation of a sophisticated motorcycle theft ring, and by locating and arresting multiple suspects wanted for homicide in Laughlin, Nevada.

The Team conducted two major identity theft investigations this year. Each investigation involved multiple suspects who, by establishing fictitious credit card accounts and false identities, victimized local businesses and unsuspecting consumers. Members of the Team were able to locate and arrest the suspects, and recover thousands of dollars in stolen property.

conditions to identify and arrest the criminal element in the City. The assigned investigator handles each case from the initial observation, through the interview and criminal filing process, up to the conclusion of the case in court. The investigator will also monitor the person, once he or she has been released from custody.

The combined efforts by the PSP Team and the City of Pico Rivera have made a considerable positive impact in suppressing crime and improving the quality of life in our community.

The City of Pico Rivera experienced a series of church and residential burglaries. The PSP Team investigators were able to identify, locate, and arrest the suspect who was wanted for multiple burglaries in Pico Rivera and in the Walnut Sheriff's Station area.

The success of the PSP Team is a direct result of investigators maximizing the enforcement of arrest warrants, and the enforcement of probation and parole

