

Los Angeles Police Department Pacific Division
12312 Culver Blvd.
Los Angeles, CA 90066

Dear Captain Setzer, Captain Morrison, Officer Acosta and Officer Ceja -

By unanimous motion of the Mar Vista Community Council's Homeless Issues Committee (MVCC HIC), as representatives of its stakeholders, **we request stepped up enforcement for possession and/or sale of controlled substances** (amphetamines, cocaine, crack, heroin, opiates, ketamine, ecstasy, etc.) that result in the arrest of the offending individual for prosecution under California health and Safety Codes 11350, 11351, 11377, 11378 in our community at, but not limited to, the Venice/405 encampment area.

We also request for officers to walk Venice Blvd. and nearby streets (Globe and Tuller) at least twice daily, not only to observe and familiarize LAPD with the individuals living in the encampment, but also **engagement with local residents regarding their concerns.**

The neighbors on Globe, Tuller and Sawtelle are working to organize a Neighborhood Watch organization. We request that Officer Acosta and Officer Ceja assist local residents and neighborhood representatives and/or the MVCC HIC to help gather resident information for compilation of a comprehensive Neighborhood Watch list and assist in the formation of this Neighborhood Watch. MVCC HIC and GTS Neighborhood Watch also request to be made aware of arrests made of any homeless individual in the Mar Vista area and for what offenses. These reports can be given monthly to the chairs or representatives of each organization for dissemination to members of the community on an as needed basis.

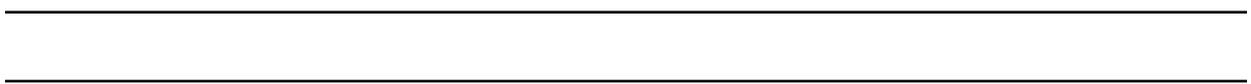
There has been a notable absence of LAPD presence at the Mar Vista Community Council and MVCC Homeless Issues Committee meetings. **We request LAPD representation at the MVCC HIC monthly meeting** (third Wednesday of each month, 6:30-7:45 at the MV Library) **and/or the MVCC meeting** (second Tuesday of each month at Mar Vista

Park, 7:00PM) **for regular updates on the status of the Venice/405 encampment, crime report updates, what proactive measures are being taken by LAPD to mitigate the crime, drug and gang activity there, increased efforts of Bureau of Sanitation to improve the unsanitary conditions at the encampment, and coordination of efforts of LAPD with HOPE and UHRC** including updates on what progress is being made with homeless engagement by LAHSA and St. Joseph's Center for services leading to housing.

Please respond to this petition in writing (board@mvcc.org) so your reply can be shared with concerned Mar Vista stakeholders on our MVCC HIC website. We want to work with you, but ask that you to please improve your responsiveness, communications and involvement to work with us in a timely manner. Together we feel we can help bring positive change to this critical situation occurring in our Mar Vista neighborhoods.

cc: Commander Choi, Councilman Mike Bonin, Hannah Levien, Councilman Paul Koretz, Supervisor Shiela Kuehl, Supervisor Mark Ridley-Thomas, Mayor Eric Garcetti, Steve Pederson (BOS), Gonzalo Barriga (BOS), Brian Buncher (UHRC), Ami Fields-Meyer (Mayor's Office)

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