

Claremont Police Department  
Community Patrol Volunteers  
2024 Year in Review

The purpose of this summary is to showcase the work of the Claremont Community Patrol Volunteers. It will show what the Community Patrol has been doing throughout the year and show the potential cost savings for the Police Department by utilizing volunteer personnel.

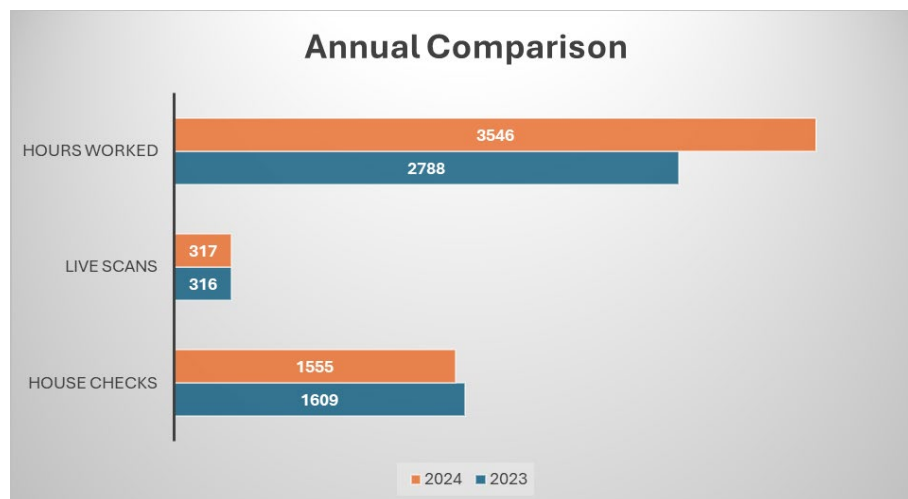
### **2024 Hours and Activities**

Each Community Patrol Volunteer is required to work at least one 4-hour shift per week. The majority of the members provide patrol services that include vacation house checks, mail processing for the police department, evidence transportation and retrieval from the Los Angeles County Sheriff's crime lab. Volunteers also handle special requests from the police department such as agenda packet delivery, license plate returns to the Department of Motor Vehicles, and assisting with projects the police department may have throughout the year.

CPV members also support the police department by assisting at DUI checkpoints, crime scene support and 24-hour availability for incidents just as fatal or serious injury collisions, large fires, both structural and wildland, citywide sponsored events such as Village Venture and summer concerts in the parks. Volunteers assist with the drug take-back program, holiday toy drive, live scan fingerprinting, and assist in the Records Bureau.

The Claremont Community Patrol in 2024 provided:

3,546 hours of service  
1,555 vacation house checks  
317 Live Scan fingerprints for the public



## **Personnel Activity for 2024**

There are currently 17 active members of the Claremont Community patrol. This year we saw 3 new members brought on board and 4 members resigned or retired from service. The long-term goal is to increase the number of volunteers to 25.

Bob Schirripa, Marty Slusser and Wei Luo were appointed in 2024.  
John Rutter, Eli Villasenor, Alice Swehla, and Bob Gordon left the Community Patrol.

## **Activities and Training in 2024**

January

Pepper Spray Training

February

Traffic control for a mudslide on Mt. Baldy Rd.,  
Assisted with Every 15 Minutes program and Claremont High School.  
Assisted with a dead body investigation at La Puerta Sports Park

April

Live traffic control training  
DUI checkpoint  
Drug/medication take-back

May

Assisted with traffic control for a suspicious trailer at the Colleges  
Crime scene support for a robbery and shooting at Super King market

June

DUI checkpoint  
5K 4<sup>th</sup> of July run

July

4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade and festivities  
Monday Concerts in the Park  
Movies in the Park

August

National Night Out

## September

- DUI checkpoint
- Bridge Fire Standby (9-9 through 9-12)
- Traffic Control – Foothill and Mountain – Collision
- Community Patrol Volunteer presentation for the Kiwanis Club of Claremont
- Active Shooter training at City Hall – phone support

## October

- Spooktacular at Lewis Park
- DUI checkpoint
- Village Venture

## November

- Claremont High School Homecoming Parade
- Fatal Traffic Collision – Claremont Blvd and Sixth St

## December

- DUI checkpoint
- Annual Toy Drive
- Citywide Employee meeting – phone staffing

## **Fiscal Impact**

In July of 2023, the Community Patrol Volunteers were registered with the Area D Disaster Management unit for Los Angeles County through the Emergency Management Program Grant (EMPG). This would allow the City of Claremont to claim any reimbursable costs in the event of a declared emergency. The Claremont CERT team has been involved since early 2015.

The County determines what the comparable value is for volunteer services for a fiscal year. The 2023-2024 value was determined to be \$37.32 per volunteer. The 2024-2025 value is \$38.61 per volunteer. The table below shows the monthly value of volunteer services provided by the Community Patrol Volunteers:<sup>i</sup>

January	\$10,710.84
February	\$11,046.72
March	\$10,318.98
April	\$11,681.16
May	\$12,856.74
June	\$9,479.28
July	\$12,683.39
August	\$12,509.64
September	\$21,969.09
October	\$14,131.76
November	\$8,938.21
December	\$11,158.29
Total:	\$147,484.10

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<sup>i</sup> Values reflect January through June (\$37.32). July through December (\$38.61)

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## **2025 Goals**

The Community Patrol Volunteers participated in a group activity known as Appreciative Inquiry over 3 months' time. Members worked in small groups and responded to sets of questions requiring in-depth discussions which ultimately led to identifying main areas of growth for the program. The main areas of results were identified as:

1. Training
2. Role Expansion

### Training:

- I. At least 15 to 30 minutes of mini-training blocks at the monthly Community Patrol meetings
- II. Quarterly training sessions lasting 2 hours on a selected day, probably Saturday, for focused skills training.
- III. Recommended attendance for the basic CERT course in September as many sections cover the areas of training identified during the Appreciative Inquiry sessions.

### Role Expansion:

- I. Assisting patrol officers during a Community Patrol shift with traffic control, bulk property transportation, or other limited tasks as deemed by the watch commander/supervisors.
- II. Identify and participate in scheduled events such as DUI checkpoints, citywide sponsored events, and other community outreach events.
- III. Riding along with patrol officers
- IV. "Ride along" with dispatch, detectives, and records to better understand their roles.