Neighborhood Protection Unit

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NEIGHBORHOOD PROTECTION UNIT

- The mission of the Chula Vista Neighborhood Protection Unit (NPU) is to enhance the quality of life within the community by responding to community demands for safety and security, and support Chula Vista Police Department (CVPD) community policing efforts.

FOCUS AREAS

1. **CRIMINAL ENFORCEMENT:**

The NPU's primary function is to provide support for CVPD criminal enforcement efforts involving violations of the Chula Vista Municipal Code

2. **GUN VIOLENCE RESTRAINING ORDERS:**

Assist CVPD in the pursuit of Gun Violence Restraining Orders (GVROs)

3. **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT:**

Collaborate with local groups, committees, commissions, the District Attorney's Office and social service organizations to provide information support and resources, as needed

CRIMINAL ENFORCEMENT

ILLEGAL MARIJUANA DISPENSARIES:

- REVIEWED SEARCH WARRANTS, WAS ON SCENE FOR THEIR EXECUTION, AND REVIEWED CASES FOR SUBSEQUENT PROSECUTION
- MILLIONS OF DOLLARS OF PRODUCT SEIZED
- HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS OF ILLEGALLY GAINED FUNDS SEIZED
- 16 DEFENDANTS CHARGED WITH MISDEMEANORS
  - ALL DEFENDANTS PLED GUILTY*
- ALL ILLEGAL DISPENSARIES HAVE BEEN CLOSED

CRIMINAL ENFORCEMENT

NUISANCE PROPERTIES:

- WORKED WITH PATROL TO GIVE UPDATED TRAINING TO OFFICERS ON HOW TO DEAL WITH "PARTY HOUSES" GENERATING MULTIPLE CALLS FOR SERVICE
- IDENTIFIED AND APPLIED EXISTING MUNICIPAL CODE PROVISIONS FOR BETTER RESULTS
  - EXAMPLE: PEOPLE V. PORTILLO
- WILL ADVISE ON CITY'S PENDING SHORT-TERM RENTAL ORDINANCE

CRIMINAL ENFORCEMENT

MASSAGE PARLORS:

- WORKING WITH SIU TO MORE EFFECTIVELY ENFORCE OUR MUNI CODE
- MAJOR UPDATE TO THE MUNI CODE IN PROGRESS
  - REVIEWED FROM A PROSECUTION POINT OF VIEW

CRIMINAL ENFORCEMENT

GENERAL SUPPORT FOR CVPD COMMUNITY POLICING:

- IN SERVICE TRAINING TO OFFICERS
- UPDATE CVPD MUNI CODE DATABASE
- COVID-RELATED ENFORCEMENT DURING 2020 SHUT DOWN
- VANDALISM
- FIREARMS OFFENSES
- STREET RACING
- HARASSING COMMUNICATIONS

GUN VIOLENCE RESTRAINING ORDERS

The Unit will work as legal counsel for the CVPD to obtain Gun Violence Restraining Orders (GVROs) where appropriate

- Important tool for law enforcement and community safety
- CVPD driven
- Upcoming training by SDPD

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Collaborate with local groups, committees, commissions, social service organizations and the District Attorney's Office to provide support and resources, as needed

- Educational campaigns
- Drug prevention
- Gang prevention