



SURFSIDE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Bulletin

23-08

Date: August 15, 2023

OFFICER OF THE MONTH – JULY 2023 – OFFICER BOBBY GABRIEL AND OFFICER JOSHUA ROSARIO

On Sunday, July 23, 2023, the North Bay Village Police Department requested additional support from police units from neighboring police agencies regarding a vehicle that had fled from police officers. During the chase, two subjects bailed out of the vehicle that had overturned and was now on fire. Officer Bobby Gabriel and Officer Joshua Rosario immediately responded to the John F. Kennedy Causeway to assist with the search. As Officer Gabriel and Officer Rosario conducted a search in a dark lit area near the water in view of the waterline, they discovered a male attempting to conceal himself in the water from police apprehension. Officer Gabriel gave verbal commands for the subject to come out of the water and advised the North Bay Village Police the subject had been located. The subject was placed into custody without further incident.

Officer Gabriel and Officer Rosario are commended for their professionalism, courage, and dedication to law enforcement. These distinguished officers responded to an extremely challenging and highly volatile situation exhibiting an elevated level of alertness and bravery. The remarkable police instincts ingrained in Officer Gabriel and Officer Rosario were demonstrated during this critical incident. Congratulations to Officer Bobby Gabriel and Officer Joshua Rosario as the recipients of the July Officer of the Month award...well deserved!

HIGH ACHIEVERS

Officer Arch
Officer Donoso
Officer Duran
Officer Gabriel
Parking Enforcement Officer Castro

SIGNIFICANT INVESTIGATIONS/INCIDENTS

Update: Burglary Arrest

07/02/2023

9200 block of Harding Avenue

On June 29, 2023, CCTV footage shows three males walking into the front yard of a residence. One of the males enters the backyard through an unlocked gate and takes a bicycle. On June 30, 2023, the subjects are seen casing the home again, however when a family member walked outside the subjects fled. Detectives identified and arrested the subjects as part of a joint operation with the Miami Beach Police Department's Burglary Unit. The subjects were also charged with various burglary and theft charges reference three additional Surfside PD cases.



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Aggravated Assault Arrest

07/02/2023

9100 block of Collins Avenue

An officer observed two males on the sidewalk that appeared to be arguing. The victim (a security guard) was observed walking backwards and the subject was charging aggressively towards him. Upon observation, the officer immediately approached the males. The victim advised he found the subject sleeping on the sidewalk in front of 9111 Collins Avenue. The security guard approached the subject who became very aggressive when he took out a folding knife and starting charging towards the victim. A recording of the incident showed the subject advancing towards the victim with a sharp object in his left hand. A search of the subject revealed a folding knife in his left shorts pocket. The subject was subsequently arrested.

Update: Burglary Arrest

07/05/2023

9000 block of 90th Street

A male was observed by the homeowner walking onto his property attempting to take his bicycle. The victim confronted the subject and he proceeded to leave without resistance. Detectives identified and arrested the subject as part of a joint operation with the Miami Beach Police Department's Burglary Unit. The subject was also charged with various burglary and theft charges reference three additional Surfside PD cases.

Update: Burglary Arrest

07/05/2023

9300 block of Abbott Avenue

An unlocked scooter located near the front door of a residence was stolen. There was no CCTV footage of the incident however this occurred during the same time frame as an attempted bicycle theft. Detectives identified and arrested the subjects as part of a joint operation with the Miami Beach Police Department's Burglary Unit. The subjects were also charged with various burglary and theft charges reference three additional Surfside PD cases.

Attempted Burglary

07/13/2023

9400 block of Collins Avenue

A security guard witnessed three males get out of a white vehicle and attempt to open the doors of three vehicles at the 100 block of 95th Street. Due to weather conditions, finger prints were unable to be lifted off the vehicles. CCTV footage captured the incident and no entry was made into the vehicles.



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Auto Theft

07/15/2023

1400 block of Biscaya Drive

An unlocked vehicle with the keys located inside was stolen from the driveway of a residence. Review of CCTV footage revealed three males walking up the driveway at approximately 0311 hours. One of the males was observed gaining entry into the vehicle and driving off in the stolen SUV. The stolen vehicle was located in Fort Lauderdale and recovered.

Auto Burglary

07/18/2023

1300 block of Biscaya Drive

Unknown subject(s) entered a vehicle taking a phone charger valued at \$10.00 (US dollar value). This incident appears to be related to the auto-theft and burglaries that took place on Saturday, July 15th, 2023.

Aggravated Assault and Criminal Mischief

07/26/2023

88th Street and Collins Avenue

An unknown male on a bicycle approached a vehicle at the light at 88th Street and Collins Avenue producing a handgun and pointing it at the victim. The male proceeded to throw a rock at the vehicle's windshield, damaging the windshield. The male fled southbound into Miami Beach.

Burglary Arrest

07/26/2023

9000 block of Collins Avenue

The subject entered an unauthorized gated area located at the rear of the hotel stealing property valued at \$815.00. The hotel security manager followed the bus in which the suspect was riding, stopping at 72nd Street and Harding Avenue. Surfside police officers arrived at the scene locating the subject at the bus stop. The subject was in possession of the stolen goods from the Four Seasons Hotel and was positively identified by the security manager. The stolen property was returned to the Four Seasons Hotel and the subject was subsequently arrested

JULY COMMUNITY INITIATIVES / LAW ENFORCEMENT EVENTS

The Police Department hosted a community blood drive on July 5th from 11:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. in the Town Hall municipal parking lot.

Captain Marciante attended the Florida FBINAA 2023 Annual Retraining Conference in Jacksonville, Florida from July 9th -13th, 2023.



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The Parks and Recreation Jr. Lifeguard Camp's first session was from July 10th to July 21st, 2023. The Police Department participated by incorporating law enforcement and pertinent topics into the program.

- Marine Patrol Presentation at the Indian Creek Police Department – July 12, 2023
- All About Sea Turtles Presentation and Beach Cleanup from the Miami-Dade Sea Turtle Conservation Program at Haulover Beach- July 19,2023

The Surf-Bal-Bay Multi-Agency Traffic and Educational Enforcement Detail in conjunction with the 2023 Operation Southern Slow Down was held on July 19th from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. town wide in Bal Harbour. The 2023 Operation Southern Slow Down is a traffic safety initiative designed to unify all of Florida, Georgia, South Carolina and Alabama public safety agencies and partners, leveraging a longstanding tradition of collaboration. This initiative is aimed at reducing the high number of Speed Related fatality and serious injury crashes on Florida, Georgia, South Carolina and Alabama roadways by targeting speeding and aggressive drivers on our roadways. Officer Luke and Officer Ruiz participated in this event.

The Miami- Dade County Board of County Commissioners and Commissioner Micky Steinberg hosted the Miami- Dade Waterways - Vessel Task Force meeting on July 19th from 2:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. at Haulover Park. Sergeant Torres attended this meeting and represented the Police Department.

Lifescan examinations were held from July 24th to July 28th, 2023.

The monthly Coffee with the Cops was July 27th at 10:00 a.m. at Starbucks.

The Police Department hosted a community blood drive on July 30th from 11:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. in the Town Hall municipal parking lot.

Community Service Aide Felix Fermin joined the Surfside Police Department family on July 31, 2023.

AUGUST COMMUNITY INITIATIVES / LAW ENFORCEMENT EVENTS

The Parks and Recreation Jr. Lifeguard Camp's second session was July 31st to August 11th, 2023. The Police Department participated by incorporating law enforcement and pertinent topics into the program:

- K-9 Demonstration with Aventura Police Department - August 2, 2023
- Marine Patrol Presentation at the Indian Creek Police Department – August 9th, 2023



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A Promotional Ceremony was held on August 3rd for Assistant Chief Antonio Marciante and Captain Jay Matelis in the Commission Chambers.

The Police Department will host a community blood drive from 11:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. and palettes donation from 10:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. on August 19th from 11:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. in the Town Hall municipal parking lot.

The Greater Miami Jewish Federation is hosting a High Holiday Training on August 31st from 9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. Chief Healy and Captain Matelis will attend and present a short overview of Stop the Bleed and the use of tourniquets.

The monthly Coffee with the Cops is August 31st at 10:00 a.m. at Starbucks.

TRAINING COMPLETED IN JULY

02-12 entitled Police Chaplain Program (PowerDMS) – All Personnel

03-17 entitled Victim Witness Assistance (PowerDMS) – All Personnel

1410 Recognizing Head Injuries in Infants and Children – Ofc. Rosario

911 Public Safety Telecommunicator State Certification -Ofc. R. Hernandez

AED/CPR- Ofc. Rosario

Aerosol Deterrent Spray- Ofc. Rosario

Airborne and Bloodborne Pathogens – Ofc. Rosario

Annual Firearms Training/RDS Certification- Ofc. Rosario

ASP (Expandable Baton) Re-Certification – Ofc. Rosario

Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASD) and Interviews – Ofc. Rosario

Body Worn Camera -Ofc. Rosario

Conflict and Dispute Resolution - Ofc. Rosario

Criminal and Non-Criminal Barricade Response: Understanding Tactics an, Decision-making and the Law-Ofc. Howard

Criminal Justice Officer Ethics and the Role of the Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission – Ofc. Rosario

Cybersecurity Threats to public Entities- Ofc. Rosario

Developing Effective Communications Skills – Ofc. Rosario

Diabetic Emergency and Officer Response – Ofc. Rosario

Discriminatory Profiling and Professional Traffic Stops – Ofc. Rosario

Diversity in the Workplace - Ofc. Rosario

Domestic Violence – Ofc. Rosario

Enhancing Work Relationships - Ofc. Rosario

Ethical Behavior for Local Government – Ofc. Rosario

Florida Purple Alert – CSA Fermin

Florida Silver Alert – CSA Fermin

Identify and Investigate Human Trafficking – Ofc. Rosario

Juvenile Sexual Offender Investigations – Ofc. Rosario



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Holding Cell, Panic Alarm/Fire Suppression – Ofc. Rosario
Less Lethal Shotgun Certification -Ofc, Rosario
Level 2 Security Awareness Certification – CSA Fermin
Misuse of Electronic Databases – Ofc. Rosario, CSA Fermin
Medical Marijuana – Ofc. Rosario
New Law: Concealed Carry- All Sworn Personnel
Public Telecommunications for Law Enforcement Officers – Ofc. Duran
Sexual Harassment in the Workplace – Ofc. Rosario
S.P.D. Honor Code- Ofc. Rosario
Stress Management and Mental Health – Ofc. Rosario
Taser X2 Certification- Ofc. Rosario
Temporary FCIC/NCIC Full Access Certification – Ofc. R. Hernandez
The LGBTQ Community – Ofc. Rosario
Use of Force- Ofc. Rosario
Vehicle Pursuit Policy/Code 2 & 3- Ofc. Rosario
Victims of Sexual Offenses – Ofc. Rosario