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From the Desk of Your Area 8 PAR Officer



Hello Everyone. My name is Officer Dan Southwick and I am your PAR ([Police Area Representative](#)) Officer for Area 8. I am looking forward to the opportunity we, as a community, have to work together toward the goal of improving the quality of life within our community. My desk/office telephone number is 303-739-6951 and my email address is dsouthwi@auroragov.org. My work schedule will be Monday through Thursday from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Feel free to contact me by phone or email with any Community Policing or PAR related issues. I will be providing this newsletter to you on a monthly basis. It will include the basic crime statistics for area 8 from the previous month, crime prevention tips, and meeting notices.

Crime Stats Area 8 5/6 – 6/2

- Residential Burglary - 2**
- Commercial Burglary - 1**
- Motor Vehicle Theft/Attempt/Recovery - 12**
- Larceny From Auto – 6**
- Robbery – 4**



For Parking Issues, please contact [ACCESS AURORA](#) at 303-739-7000

Helpful Hyperlinks



Follow Aurora Police Department on social media. Did you know you can read news releases and important information from the police department at the same time that the local news stations get it from us? Like us on Facebook and follow us on Twitter. We send out all our important stories and information through these social media sights.



Make a police report online. Save time by using this link to submit an online police report. You can file some car accident reports, theft reports, lost or missing property reports and even damage to your car or home. Simply follow this link and follow the directions.

Contact Information for District One

District One Commander, [Darin Parker](#) 303.739.6950

District One Captain, [Chris Juul](#) 303.739.1812

District One Sector Lieutenant, [Mike Hanifin](#) 303.739.1847

Police and Fire Dispatch Non-Emergency, 303.627.3100

Police and Fire Emergency, 911

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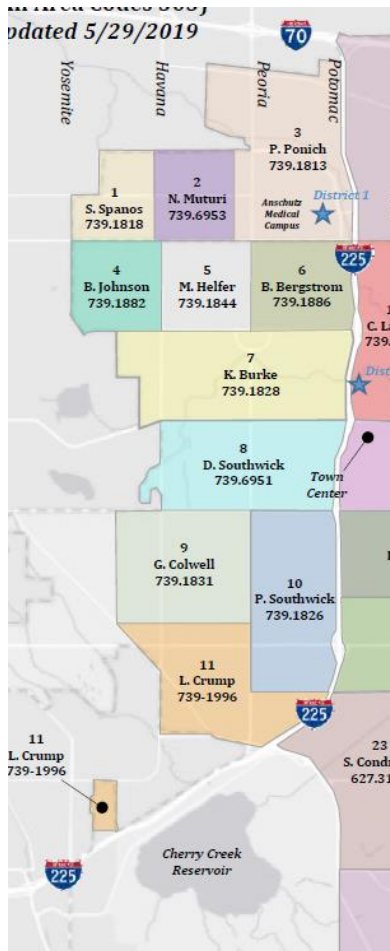
District 1 PAR Officers

East 6th Ave. North PAR Officers

- [Sergeant Jon Carelock](#)
303.739.1807
- [Officer Steve Spanos](#)
303.739.1818
- [Officer Natasha Muturi](#)
303.739.6953
- [Officer Pete Ponich](#)
303.739.1813
- [Officer Bridget Johnson](#)
303.739.1882
- [Officer Matt Helfer](#)
303.739.1844
- [Officer Bryan Bergstrom](#)
303.739.1886

East 6th Ave. South PAR Officers

- [Sergeant Tom Graham](#)
303.739.1809
- [Officer Dan Southwick](#)
303.739.6951
- [Officer Patty Southwick](#)
303.739.1826
- [Officer Gene Colwell](#)
303.739.1831
- [Officer Dale Crump](#)
303.739.1996
- [Officer Keith Burke](#)
303.739.1828



Nextdoor



The Aurora Police Department is utilizing Nextdoor.com in an effort to facilitate virtual neighborhood watch and help foster neighbor-to-neighbor communications.

This is a great tool that everyone can use to share crime prevention and safety updates, neighborhood events, and emergency notifications. The Nextdoor website is kept private to only those who live in your neighborhood and who have a verified address. More than 160 police departments are using Nextdoor.com in their community. This will give our agency the opportunity to post relevant information directed towards specific neighbors in the community as well as any information directed towards the entire city.

Make sure that you continue to use the proper emergency services to report criminal or suspicious activity. Please be aware that Nextdoor is not an appropriate way to request emergency services. You should still call 911 for any emergency or 303-627-3100 for non-emergency situations. We look forward to using Nextdoor to build stronger, safer neighborhoods throughout Aurora. Please click on the green house to register.

Guidelines for 911

- Speak Slowly
- Give as much information as you can to the dispatcher and answer all questions
- Give the dispatcher your location and address
- If you don't know where you are, describe your surroundings
- Teach your children their phone number and address
- If you call 911 by mistake, do not hang up. Tell the dispatcher there is no emergency
- Do not call 911 if you hear an outdoor warning siren, need directions or information, questions about court dates or traffic tickets.
- [Please click here for more information about 911](#)

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Crime Information

If you would like a more comprehensive list of events that surround your neighborhood you can always go to [Lexis Nexis Community Crime Map](#) and see what is going on. [Lexis Nexis Community Crime Map](#) has the ability to filter the following crimes: Homicide, Burglary, Robbery, Theft, Sexual Offenses, Assaults, Property Crimes, Alarms, Arson, Death, Family Offense, Kidnapping, Missing Person, Weapons Offense, Quality of Life, Drugs, Liquor, Traffic, Fire, Proactive/Community Policing, and Vehicle/Pedestrian Stops. Simply pull up the website, select the data you are interested in, along with your address, and it will pull up all the crime data for the time frame you selected. If there is a particular crime that is of concern to you please contact your [PAR Officer](#) and they will determine if they can release anything about that crime.



Neighborhood Info

Summer in the City Events

June 19th 11:00am – 2:00 pm
Del Mar Park

June 26th 11:00am – 2:00 pm
Appaloosa Park

So You Want To Be a Cop seminar

June 13th 6:00 pm- 8:00 pm
23911 E Arapahoe Road
Free informational seminar to individuals interested in becoming a police officer
Find out more about joining the Aurora Police Department:
www.AuroraPolice.com

Residential Security Surveys

Have you been a victim of a burglary? Are you worried you might become a victim of a burglary? Do you know someone in your neighborhood that has been a victim of a burglary? Do you want to protect your **HOME**? Would you like some helpful suggestions from the Aurora Police Department?

If so, then contact your local PAR Officer and ask them if they would come out and perform a Residential Security Survey for you. PAR Officers will take a look at your property. They will give you some helpful suggestions on the ways you can make your **HOME** a less desirable target for thieves. Even though it is not guaranteed that you will not become a victim through this effort. It is a great way you can help protect yourself, your home, family members and property. Do not wait call now.

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Crime Tips

Are You Really A Sweepstakes Winner?

From our friends at the Colorado Attorney General's Office



As a general rule, any solicitation through the mail, by telephone, or electronically (email or text message) that requires the purchase of any product, or the payment of any fee as a condition to entering or winning a sweepstakes is illegal.

Some sweepstakes are used as a marketing tool to sell products or to solicit donations, where the promoters offer chances to win prizes. Sweepstakes promoters hope to grab consumers' attention with the possibility of large prizes in order to convince consumers to purchase merchandise or magazines.

Other sweepstakes – as well as foreign lotteries – are complete scams. No prizes are ever awarded and the solicitations are designed to steal either your money or your identity, or both. These solicitations

often use names similar to well-known sweepstakes and typically require the payment of some kind of fee in order to “claim” a prize.

Here are some signs that you are being solicited by a phony sweepstakes or foreign lottery:

- The call, letter, or electronic message comes from a sweepstakes or lottery you don't remember entering;
- The so-called “prize notice” contains vague and confusing terms, or bad grammar, that leaves you confused whether you have actually won a prize or are just being asked to enter into the sweepstakes or lottery;
- You are required to submit some form of payment in order to claim a prize or award – it might be as little as \$20 as an “entry fee” or “judges fee” or thousands of dollars for taxes or insurance;
- The notice creates a sense of urgency imploring you to “act immediately” or using terms like “final notice” or “last chance to claim your prize”;
- You are required to make an immediate payment using a wire transfer or pre-paid money card; or
- You are required to provide personal identifying information, such as your social security number, birthdate, or bank account information.

Here are some important tips regarding sweepstakes and contests:

- It is **ILLEGAL** to sell tickets or promote a foreign lottery in the United States so

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anyone claiming that you have won such a lottery is breaking the law;

- Legitimate sweepstakes promoters provide clear and understandable terms and conditions about entering a sweepstakes and provide accurate information about your odds of winning;
- Legitimate sweepstakes promotions do not notify you of a prize by bulk mail, email, or an unsolicited telephone call;
- No legitimate sweepstakes requires you to purchase a product or pay any kind of fee or cost in order to enter or claim a prize;
- Purchasing products or making a charitable donation **NEVER** improves your chances of winning a sweepstakes.
- Sweepstakes promoters, just like other direct mail companies, have the ability to automatically insert your name into their sweepstakes messages, so **EVERY** recipient can receive what appears to be a personalized greeting;
- The winner of a sweepstakes must be chosen entirely by chance or at random. The sweepstakes promoter has no idea who will win before the winner is actually picked. Don't be fooled by suggestions that you have a better chance of winning because of membership in a select group or because you supposedly share characteristics with past winners;
- Your chances of winning a big prize in sweepstakes are very small, often only 1 in 50,000,000! Don't be fooled into believing that you're likely to win or that you're very close to winning a big prize. You probably will win nothing;
- Sweepstakes promoters often send documents that resemble a check, money

order, or wire transfer instructions.

Oftentimes, these checks will have your name on them. These are NOT REAL and are mailed to EVERYONE! Do not be fooled into believing that you are receiving actual money or a special mailing; and

Consumers have no obligation to read or respond to a sweepstakes mailing. Feel free to toss it in the garbage, hang up the telephone, or delete the email or text message. Furthermore, if you don't wish to receive future mailings, you can ask the sweepstakes promoter to STOP SENDING sweepstakes mailings to you, and, if you do so, the sweepstakes promoter must comply with your request.

If you believe you have been a victim of a sweepstakes scam or if you wish to report suspicious activity, please [file a report here](#).

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