



Special Investigations Unit Update

City of Tacoma | Tacoma Police Department

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Special Investigations



Quarterly stats (Jan 1 – March 31, 2024)

- 64 Narcotics Investigations
- 20 Narcotics Arrests
- 20 Search Warrants Served
- 83 Pounds of Methamphetamine
- 110,000 Fentanyl Pills
- 33 Firearms Recovered (plus 1 Military Grenade)
- 9 Violent Offender Arrests for CID (to include multiple Murder Suspects)

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Illegal Marijuana Operation

- Multi-Jurisdictional organized crime investigation
- 8 residences
- 12 vehicles seized
- 3,580 marijuana plants
- 78 pounds processed cannabis
- 8 financial institutions

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Street Racing Emphasis

2023:

- Reckless Driving Arrests – 89
- Speed Exhibition Arrests – 5
- Speed Attendance Arrests – 38
- Notice of Infractions – 40
- Vehicle Impounds – 27
- Overtime – 11,415 hours / \$1,318,347.09

2024 YTD:

- Reckless Driving Arrests – 17
- Speed Exhibition Arrests – 2
- Speed Attendance Arrests – 5
- Notice of Infractions – 25
- Vehicle Impounds – 10
- Overtime – 845 hours / \$98,767.32

➤ **RCW 46.61.748 (Effective Jan.1, 2024)**

➤ **Operator has previously had vehicle impounded due to illegal racing conduct, AND operators is convicted of a subsequent offense originally charged as Reckless Driving or Racing.**

➤ **Vehicle is subject to forfeiture after conviction and operator used such vehicle to commit said crime.**

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Property Crimes Initiative

As of March 29, 2024:

Cases Assigned: 661
All of these cases are felony level cases that otherwise would not have been investigated without this initiative.

Bulletins Issued: 83
These are typically Probable Cause or Attempt to Identify Bulletins that are distributed to Law Enforcement Personnel.

Number of Arrests / Charged: 55

Total Overtime Hours: 1,493 since November of 2022

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Kia / Hyundai Task Force

In November of 2022, the Tacoma Police Department designated several investigators to focus on the rising Kia/Hyundai thefts and the associated crime. One detective is regularly working on these cases full time.

Cases Assigned: 44
Some of these cases involved multiple suspects who committed violent felonies across multiple jurisdictions.

Bulletins Issued: 15

Number of Arrests / Charged: 55

Total Regular Duty Hours: 800

Total Overtime Hours: 255

These are CID hours only. Forensics and SID is not included.

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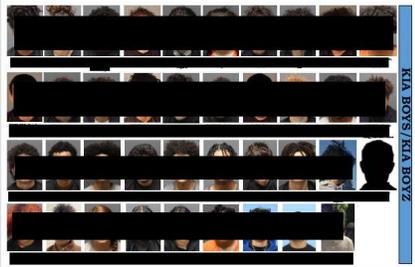
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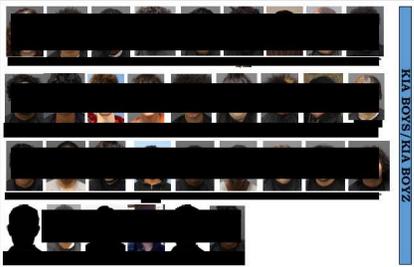
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Tacoma Police Detectives have been working closely with our Crime Analysis Unit (CAU) and our partners at South Sound 911 (SS911) to be able to identify the people involved in this network of criminal activity.

Intel is gathered from police reports around the region, social medial, informants, etc.





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Kia / Hyundai Task Force

On March 15, 2024, The Tacoma Police Department, in coordination with the Puget Sound Auto Theft Task Force (PSATT) and the Hyundai motor company, hosted a software updating event at the Tacoma Dome. The updated software is designed to prevent theft.





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