

LAGUNA HILLS POLICE SERVICES

NEWSLETTER - SEPTEMBER 2024

PREVENTION

An unlocked vehicle is an obvious target, and it just takes seconds for a thief to seize what's in plain sight, search typical hiding spots for other items of value, and flee. Preventing theft from unlocked automobiles requires our community's involvement.

To raise awareness about this public safety concern, Laguna Hills Police Services has created a safety report check list called the "Look and Lock."

LOOK AND LOCK

- ☐ **ALWAYS** lock all doors and close windows.
- ☐ **REMOVE** any valuable items in your car. If you must leave them in your car, put them in the trunk where they are out of sight.
- ☐ Park in locked garages if at all possible.
- ☐ Set an alarm or anti-theft device.
- ☐ **REMOVE** garage door remotes from vehicles.



STAY INFORMED

Follow the riding tips listed below to make your e-bike experience as safe as possible!

- Wear a Helmet - Your safety is priority!
- Be Visible - Use lights, wear bright clothing, and use hand signals.
- Follow Traffic Laws - Riders have all the rights and are subject to the same responsibilities and duties as drivers of vehicles (follow traffic signals, obey speed limits, and adhere to stop signs).
- Plan Your Route - Familiarize yourself with bike-friendly routes in the area.
- Maintain Safe Speeds - Just because you can go fast doesn't mean you always should.
- Be Predictable - Signal your intentions to others.
- Stay Alert!

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PREPAREDNESS

THE GREAT SHAKEOUT - OCTOBER 17, 2024

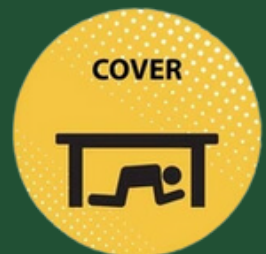
The Great Shake Out seismic exercises simulate possible earthquakes in the area. Great Shake Out Earthquake Drills are an annual chance for individuals in homes, schools, and organizations to practice what to do during an earthquake and strengthen their preparedness for it.

EARTHQUAKE SAFETY TIPS

- If you are sitting at a desk or table, seek shelter under it.
- If you are in bed, stay there, curl up and hold on.
 - Protect your head with a pillow.
- If you are inside, stay indoors until the quake stops!
 - If you are in a building with multiple story's, use stairs rather than the elevator or escalator.
 - Damage could have occurred during the quake making power driven items not accessible. In addition, aftershocks are common.
- If you are outside, find a clear spot!
 - Stay away from buildings, power lines, trees, and streetlights.
- If you are in a vehicle, pull over to a clear location and stop.
 - Stay inside your vehicle with your seatbelt fastened until the shaking stops.
 - Avoid bridges, overpasses, and power lines if possible.
- If you are near slopes or cliffs, be alert for falling rocks and other debris.
 - Landslides are often triggered by earthquakes.

When an earthquake strikes, there is no warning! They can happen at any time, day or night. Be prepared, and stay safe.

During an earthquake, remember, **DROP, COVER, AND HOLD ON.**



DON'T BE THE LAST TO KNOW!

SIGN UP FOR LAGUNA HILLS & ORANGE COUNTY EMERGENCY ALERTS!
TEXT THE WORD **92653** & **ALERTOC** TO **888777**

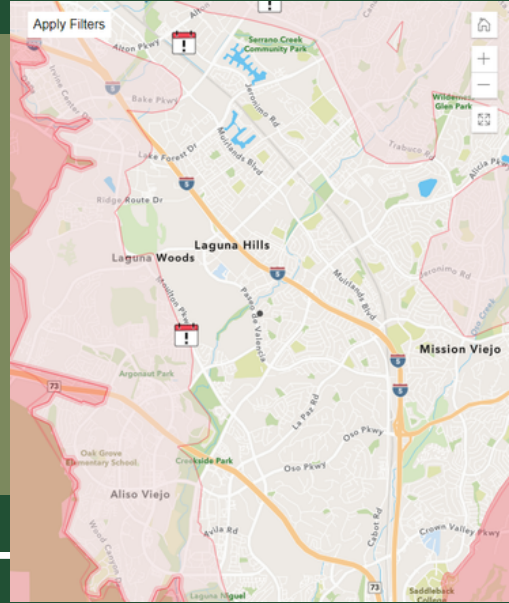
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CHECK YOUR STATUS

Experiencing a power outage?

Find out when your power will be restored by visiting -
<https://www.sce.com/outage-center/check-outage-status>

Edison has provided a live interactive [Outage Map](#) that helps you quickly determine if your service address is affected by an outage, including when an outage is scheduled to start or estimated to end.



HEAT WAVE

SUMMER IS COMING TO AN END, BUT THE HEAT IS NOT!

The city of Laguna Hills has been experiencing excessive heat!

BE PREPARED-

Regularly check the weather throughout the week. Know the temperature and humidity and plan your outside activities accordingly.

STAY OUT OF THE HEAT-

Avoid going outside during peak temperature hours. Arrange outside activities for early morning or later in the evening when the heat subsides. If you do go outside, remember to always have proper sun protection, such as sunscreen, hats, and glasses.

STAY COOL AND HYDRATED-

Drink water regularly and avoid caffeinated beverages that increase your chance of dehydration. Dress in light weight clothing. Overdressing in heavy garments can lead you to overheating.

KEEP YOUR HOME COOL-

Close blinds and curtains during peak temperature hours, and open your windows at night to cool down.

QUICK TIP - VACATION CHECK!

Laguna Hills Police Services provides patrol checks of your home while you are away on vacation or business. Submit the Vacation Patrol Check Form a week prior to your travel date (form available online).

- Email the completed Vacation Patrol Check Form to **Crimeprevention@lagunahillsCA.gov**
- Contact Laguna Hills Police Services for any questions regarding the matter.

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HOT CALL HIGHLIGHTS

SEPTEMBER 5, 2024

The Orange County Sheriff's Direct Enforcement Team (DET) continues to proactively fight crime throughout our community.

While working an ongoing investigation into the theft of E-bikes, DET deputies disrupted and intercepted multiple E-bikes from falling victim to a "Chop Shop."

The location was also linked to a recent Robbery. Multiple individuals, directly related to the Robbery and Chop Shop, were arrested and booked into Orange County Jail.



AUGUST 26, 2024

Deputies responded to a suspicious male sitting in a vehicle in a residential neighborhood.

During the investigation, the subject admitted to illegally possessing and carrying a firearm without a CCW. Deputies have subsequently arrested him and taken him into custody.

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OUTREACH & EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT INQUIRY

arabas@ocsheriff.gov / (949) 707-2641

OUTREACH & EVENTS

SEPTEMBER 2024

- Hawk Hail Heroes
 - Laguna Hills High School
 - September 6th

OCTOBER 2024

- Decorating with Deputies
 - Laguna Hills Pumpkin Patch
 - October 16th