



Torrance Police Department Neighborhood Watch Newsletter

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Happy New Year from your Community Affairs Team!!

Happy New Year to all our Neighborhood Watch members!! We want to take a moment and thank each one of you for your participation in the Neighborhood Watch program.....because of you we have been able to prevent many crimes from occurring and been able to apprehend many suspects because of **YOUR** eyes and ears and because **YOU** are diligently calling in any suspicious activity.

We have faced many challenges this year due to Assembly Bill 109 and the early release of prisoners out of the jail system. We have seen an increase in crime all throughout the Los Angeles County area and particularly an increase in residential burglaries in the city of Torrance. If you haven't already viewed the informational video on AB 109 and what the Torrance Police Department is doing to fight back please check it out at: www.SafeandSecureTorrance.com

Please share this information and video with your neighbors, friends and family and please remember.....If you see something, **SAY** Something!!! Call 911 or our non-emergency number at 310-328-3456.

We wish you all a very happy and safe 2014!!!



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What is Nextdoor.....

Nextdoor is the private social network for you, your neighbors and your community. It's the easiest way for you and your neighbors to talk online and make all of your lives better in the real world. And it's free.

Thousands of neighborhoods are already using Nextdoor to build happier, safer places to call home.

People are using Nextdoor to:

- Quickly get the word out about a break-in or a current crime trend
- Organize a Neighborhood Watch Group
- Track down a trustworthy babysitter
- Find out who does the best paint job in town
- Ask for help keeping an eye out for a lost dog
- Find a new home for an outgrown bike
- Finally call that nice man down the street by his first name

Nextdoor's mission is to use the power of technology to build stronger and safer neighborhoods.

For more information or to sign up go to:

<https://nextdoor.com/>

The infographic features a central illustration of a residential street with a large house on the left and a smaller house on the right. People are walking, a dog is on a leash, and a bicycle is parked. The background is a blue sky with white clouds.

Neighbors who know each other, look out for each other.

93% say it's important for neighbors to look out for one another.

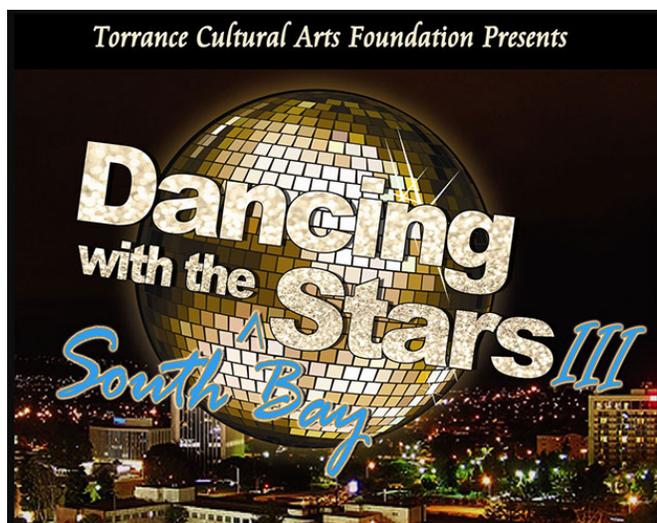
Over 67% of homeowners feel safer when they know their neighbors.

35% of people who know their neighbors reported that they've shared information with them about crime & safety.

79% of people that use an online neighborhood forum talk with their neighbors in-person at least once a month.

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Nextdoor



Come join us for this extra special event where local South Bay “Stars” are paired with professional dancers and compete to raise funds for their favorite nonprofits.

Our very own Community Lead Officer Arlan Wells, from the Torrance Police Department will be dancing to raise funds for the Pediatric Therapy Network!!

This fun event will take place at the Armstrong Theatre, 3330 Civic Center Dr. in Torrance on Saturday, February 15, 2014 at 8:00pm. For more information or to vote for Arlan and make donations please go to

<http://tpd-4-ptn.weebly.com/> or
www.TorranceArts.org



Pediatric Therapy Network

Pediatric Therapy Network (PTN) is a non-profit early child development and therapy center founded by parents, therapists, and teachers committed to providing quality services for children with special needs and for those at risk for developmental issues. PTN provides prevention, early identification, intervention, and therapy to 2,500 children a year.



Upcoming Events



NOW YOU CAN LIKE US ON
FACEBOOK, FOLLOW US ON
TWITTER AND SUBSCRIBE
TO US ON YOUTUBE

[Facebook.com/
TorrancePD](https://www.facebook.com/TorrancePD) [Twitter.com/
TorrancePD](https://twitter.com/TorrancePD)

[Youtube.com/TPDCommAffairs](https://www.youtube.com/TPDCommAffairs)

GET EMAIL AND TEXT
ALERTS AT
WWW.NIXLE.COM



“SENIORS Don’t Be Scammed!”

Topic– Current Top Scams

Tuesday, March 25th, 2014

10:00am- 12:00 noon

Seniors, caregivers, family & friends are invited to learn about the latest scams.

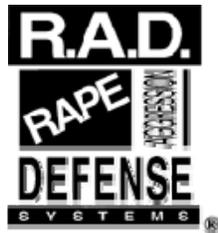
**Katy Geissert Civic Center Library
Community Meeting Room**

Light refreshments will be served

No RSVP necessary

For more information, contact TPD Community Affairs
at (310) 618-5735 or visit our website at:

www.Police.TorranceCA.Gov



The Rape Aggression Defense program is a nationally recognized self-defense program for women. It is a free 12 hour training seminar that will teach you how to protect yourself and the ones that you love by detecting, preventing and deterring violent encounters.

Our Instructional Objective is to develop and enhance the options of self defense so they may become viable considerations to a woman who is attacked.

This program is instructed by RAD certified members of the Torrance Police Department and is held at the Torrance Police Department. For more information on this program, contact Sergeant Chris Roosen at (310) 618-5735.

The next RAD class will be on **Friday, February 21, 2014 & Saturday, February 22, 2014**. Check our website at:

www.Police.TorranceCA.Gov to register.