

# Costa Mesa Police Department

## Memorandum



DATE: March 05, 2024

TO: Bryan Wadkins, Field Operations Captain

FROM: Jason Bush, Park Ranger

RE: **PARK RANGER MONTHLY REPORT  
February 2024**

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### **Fairview Park Activities/Highlights:**

- Harbor Soaring Society Flying Field was open on Saturday the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> of February. Park Rangers were present during the events. No violations were observed, and there were no complaints made to the Park Rangers.
- An increase in calls for service referencing the use of e-bikes and e-motorcycles in the “Dinosaur hill” area of the park has been noted. Upon further investigation, Park Rangers have documented that the makeshift jumps have been built bigger using the surrounding soil, causing large holes around the area.
- Park Rangers and maintenance crews continue to address homelessness issues and unlawful camp sites. There were four encampments located this month.

### **Park Activities/Highlights:**

- Increased enforcement on leash law violations: a reduction in violations was observed this month.
- Park Rangers located two small fires within Talbert Park caused by unhoused persons living within the park.
- Costa Mesa Park Rangers collaborated with OC Park Rangers to address new encampments at Talbert Park North, Talbert Park South, and along the Santa Ana River Bike Trail. Four encampments were located this month. Due to weather and dirt road conditions, Rangers were limited in seeking out encampments and removal efforts by OC Parks was also hindered.

### **Harper Park Update:**

- Park Rangers began all day patrols at Harper Park/ Harper School on November 10th. During February, while Park Rangers were on patrol the number of subjects contacted for dog off leash violations has decreased to near zero. Park Rangers continue to actively engage the public to educate them on the schools shared use agreement and rules and restrictions. Several parents have voiced concerns over the safety of their children while at school, without a fully enclosed perimeter fence.

# MONTHLY PARKS ACTIVITY / ENFORCEMENT SUMMARY

Location	Calls for Service	Patrol Checks	Citations	Arrests	Reports	Total
Talbert Regional Park	4	19	16	0	11	50
Joann Street Bike Trail	3	7	5	3	3	21

## District 1

Location	Calls for Service	Patrol Checks	Citations	Arrests	Reports	Total
Balearic Park	12	6	1	0	0	19
Estancia Park	2	14	0	0	0	16
Mesa Verde Park	1	6	0	0	0	7
Moon Park	0	14	0	0	0	14
Smallwood Park	0	7	0	0	0	7
Suburbia Park	0	6	0	0	0	6
Tanager Park	2	6	0	0	3	11
Wakeham Park	1	5	0	0	0	6
Wimbledon Park	2	4	0	0	0	6
<b>Total</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>92</b>

## District 2

Location	Calls for Service	Patrol Checks	Citations	Arrests	Reports	Total
Del Mesa Park	0	5	0	0	0	5
Gisler Park	3	35	0	0	1	39
Shiffer Park	2	11	1	0	0	14
Paularino Park	1	4	0	0	1	6
<b>Total</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>64</b>

## District 3

Location	Calls for Service	Patrol Checks	Citations	Arrests	Reports	Total
Neth Park	1	16	0	0	0	17
TeWinkle Park	14	34	2	0	1	51
Bark Park	3	13	0	0	0	16
Skate Park	4	16	0	0	0	20
Wilson Park	7	49	1	1	1	59
Jack Hammet Sports Complex	1	1	0	0	0	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>129</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>165</b>

## District 4

Location	Calls for Service	Patrol Checks	Citations	Arrests	Reports	Total
Ketchum-Libolt Park	2	18	10	1	9	40
Shalimar Park	0	1	0	0	0	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>41</b>

## District 5

Location	Calls for Service	Patrol Checks	Citations	Arrests	Reports	Total
Canyon Park	8	18	10	1	7	44
Fairview Park	6	15	2	0	1	24
Lions Park	10	41	4	3	6	64
Marina View Park	2	16	0	0	0	18
Vista Park	2	12	0	0	0	14
<b>Total</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>164</b>

## District 6

Location	Calls for Service	Patrol Checks	Citations	Arrests	Reports	Total
Brentwood Park	4	15	0	0	0	19
Harper Park	4	43	1	0	0	48
Heller Park	6	11	1	0	1	19
Jordan Park	1	13	0	0	0	14
Lindbergh Park	1	14	0	0	1	16
Pinkley Park (Ogle)	8	13	0	0	0	21
Perez Park	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>109</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>137</b>