Foothills Substation will be closed Thursday, November 22 and Friday, November 23 in Observance of Thanksgiving. We will reopen to the community on Monday, November 26th at 8:00 a.m. There will not be any web posts during this time.

Socks and Toys Drive at APD: Each APD substation is collecting new toys and socks for community members in need through December 21, 2018. Items will be distributed by APD in partnership with two worship centers on December 23rd. The APD Foothills Substation can collect new toys and socks Mondays through Fridays from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Planning a trip out of town for Thanksgiving weekend? You can call the APD Foothills Substation front office team at 332-5240 to request a Periodic Watch on your home. Officers in between calls for service will have a list of addresses to drive by and do a visual check for you – our front office staff will need your address, emergency contact phone number, the dates you will be gone and if you plan to have a house-sitter or someone stopping by the home while you are away.

Stop by the Foothills Substation (12800 Lomas Blvd NE) to pick up a red brochure in the lobby on Travel Preparation and Safety from APD Crime Prevention before you head out of town.
Property Crimes reported in the Foothills Area Command on Friday – Saturday – Sunday, November 16-17-18, 2018

1 Armed Robbery/Commercial: 5800-block of Eubank Blvd NE.
1 Armed Robbery to an Individual: 12700-block of Constitution Dr NE.
5 Stolen Vehicles: 10700-block of Cochiti Rd SE, 600-block of Meadow Green Ctr SE, 11900-block of Haines Ave NE, 10900-block of Cordova Ave NE, 11100-block of Lomas Blvd NE.
1 Commercial Burglary: 11900-block of Central Ave NE.
1 Residential Burglary: 4300-block of Morris St NE.
10 Auto Burglaries: 4200-block of Eubank Blvd NE, 1200-block of Juan Tabo Blvd NE (occurred 11/11 but reported it 11/16), Elena Gallegos Open Space Parking Lot, 2 vehicles at the same address on the 1400-block of Propps St NE, two cases at the same address on the 800-block of Omaha St NE, 3600-block of Juan Tabo Blvd NE, 5200-block of Purcell Dr NE, 400-block of Sawtooth St SE (occurred two weeks ago and reported it 11/18; also stole from garage).

Entries: Breaking windows (6), Unforced entries (4).

Items left in unattended vehicles that were stolen: Back pack with JBL Speaker, paperwork, medical card left on front seat. Vehicle seat, seat cover, headliner, bucket containing tools. Four vehicles were ransacked, nothing stolen, but suffered broken windows to access items left in the vehicles that were not stolen. Wallet, IDs.

Quick take-aways: Please notice the number of vehicles that were burglarized to unforced entries: 40% of all auto burglaries over the last weekend. Please also notice that another 40% of the vehicles burglarized over the weekend were ransacked to rummage through items left in the vehicles AND those vehicles also have high dollar repair bills to pay for broken windows. You control your environment and the crime prevention habits you put into play now can make a big difference in your peace of mind and prevent auto burglaries. Leaving insignificant (to you) items in your vehicle attracts burglars. Locking up and removing all items and leaving nothing visible can save you from being victimized.

Another interesting thing to note from this weekend’s reported auto burglaries in the Foothills area are the number of cases that were delayed – callers waiting up to two weeks to report the case to the police and file a report. When this happens, it skews our Crime Analysis numbers for the week, which can have an impact on how we are allocating officers, which areas we are working on to remedy crime and may hamper how we determine where our problem ‘hot spots’ are – so please report crime promptly. We make it easy by offering you telephone police reports completed by APD civilians (768-2030), filing your own report online (www.cabq.gov/Police), going to a nearby substation or calling 242-COPS (2677) if you need to speak to an officer.

Stay safe everyone – Jill Garcia, Crime Prevention Specialist / ICPS, NCPS – Albuquerque Police Department, Foothills Area Command