

Dear Gateway Residents,

We met as a group hosted by the Pine Street Inn several months ago. Participants included: Local D4 Police Division, Gateway Community Action/Crime Watch Group (newly formed), Gateway Trustees, Residents, and Shop Owners. The purpose of the meeting was gain a better understanding of the Pine Street and their organization and routines and how can we help as neighbors, take some action to help clean things up and make our neighborhood a safe environment. From this meeting, a small task team was appointed to deliver and build a plan that would lead to the goal of making it a safe place and increase awareness.

The team met, meeting minutes are listed below and the immediate action plan implemented is an **increase in policing power**. This power is coming from the D4 and foot patrol units in cooperation with the Pine Street Inn.

The start of the effort, in cooperation with residents be alert and reporting in crimes and drug trafficking have enabled the units above to take action and make arrests.

Sgt. Power reports only some of the arrests made:  
Two of the July 4<sup>th</sup> weekend and 22

**Meeting Notes:**

Here are the meeting notes from the 6/16 follow up meeting with the PSI (Amy Coolidge) and the Boston Police (Sgt. Kevin Power, Area D), and Gateway Terrace (Adam Stillman and Leslie Minasian). Please look them over and let me know if I missed or mis-understood anything.

- 1) PSI has implemented changes to have their staff extend their hourly patrol rounds to Fay Street. They are now wearing bright green vests identify them as PSI staff
- 2) PSI has also adjusted the description for the daily Police Detail, from 4-8 pm (weather permitting) the detail officer will be stationed on the corner, across from the Fay Street Harrison Intersection, this area is known as the depot. The officer will also accompany the PSI staff on their rounds. Note: There is a chance that the detail will go unfilled on occasion.
- 3) BPD, State Police, and area representatives are also addressing the areas near the West 4<sup>th</sup> Street Bridge, Broadway Bridge and under Route 93. Action items tbd.
- 4) PSI is investigating moving the bus stop, for the later evening runs (8:30 and 9:30) from the PSI Depot to another shelter/location on Mass Ave. Aimee to keep us updated on any progress here.

- 5) BPD has increased their presence and awareness of the Fay Street/East Berkley area. Sgt. Power, to provide statistics ytd. in regard to arrests in the area.
- 6) BPD also brought Parole Officers to PSI area, to note past offenders who frequent the area around the PSI (fringe element). (IMPACT)
- 7) BPD suggests to owner of Mobil on East Berkley and Albany, to extend fencing to areas subject to frequent loitering. We will check in with Ted and see if he plans to address this issue.
- 8) BPD is aware of increase prostitution in the area and is making adjustments to combat the trend.

#### **Statistics on Arrests/ provided by our local D4**

Attached are the notes from our last meeting, including action items that were agreed to by the PSI in conjunction with the Boston Police. Below is a sampling of the arrest activity in our neighborhood over the past month alone. (Sgt. Power of the Area D Community Service Office was very helpful in obtaining this information)

1. July 1, 2009 the D-4 D.C.U. made an arrest for Possession with intent to Distribute Class B (Crack Cocaine). The arrest was made at 345 Harrison Ave incident # 090363877
2. June 30, 2009 the D-4 Drug Control Unit made and arrest for Distribution Class B (Crack Cocaine). The incident started at Perry St near Red Fez and ended at 444 Harrison. Incident # 090361324.
3. Wednesday June 24, 2009 District D-4 Drug Control Unit arrested a black male and a black female for distribution class B substance (crack cocaine) in the area of the Mobil Gas Station incident # 090348888.
4. Monday June 15, 2009 District D-4 Drug Control Unit arrested a black male and a white female for distribution class D (Marijuana) in the area of Ramsay Park (Lower Roxbury) but had received a complaint they were dealing out of a older model green S.U.V.near Peter's Park. These two suspects were doing a delivery type deals. The buyers call and the dealer then drives to a meet spot to make the deal. Incident # 090324268.
5. Friday June 26, 2009 Officers arrested a suspect at the Mobil Gas Station for an Assault Dangerous Weapon-Knife that occurred at 1222 Washington St.Incident # 090352137
6. Monday June 1, 2009 District D-4 Drug Control Unit arrested a male at 33 Traveler St for Poss Class B.Incident # 090300320.
7. Tuesday June 2, 2009 Officers arrested two males for attempted auto theft at Perry St / Washington St. Incident # 090302000.
8. Tuesday June 2, 2009 Officer Mason made an on-site warrant arrest at 1200 Washington St (In the rear of this address). The suspect was wanted for sexual conduct for a fee and resisting arrest. Incident # 070596434.

I know there are more but I thought this would give you an idea about some of the work the officers are doing in our area.

Also based on our work with the BPD, our little Gateway/Fay Street Neighborhood Crime Watch group is being nominated for as one of the "Top Ten Neighborhood Watch Award" The National Night Out neighborhood celebration "Salute to the Neighborhoods"

reception will be held at Florian Hall in Dorchester on Saturday, August 1<sup>st</sup> from 10 to 12 p.m.

Our plan going forward is to have a progress meeting in the mid-September time frame; in the meantime we will continue work closely with, both the Boston Police and the Pine Street Inn, via email.

- **If a Pine Street guest is in distress, residents should call 911 if it appears to be a medical emergency;**
- **If a Pine Street guest is presenting a problem that is not criminal in nature, and PSI can be of assistance, residents should feel free to call Pine Street – (617) 892-9207**
- **If a resident witnesses any illegal activity, they should call 911**

**Please feel free to send along any feedback to myself and Leslie Minasian, [leslie\\_784@hotmail.com](mailto:leslie_784@hotmail.com).**

**Thank you,  
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