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400.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE
The purpose of this policy is to define the patrol function and address intraorganizational cooperation and information sharing.

400.2 INFORMATION SHARING
To the extent feasible, all information relevant to the mission of the Department should be shared among all bureaus and specialized units on a timely basis. Members should be provided with opportunities on a regular basis to share information during the daily line-ups and to attend line-ups of other bureaus or specialized units.

Additionally, information should be shared with outside agencies and the public in conformance with department policies and applicable laws. Members are encouraged to share information with other units and bureaus.

400.2.1 CRIME ANALYST
The Crime Analyst will be the central person for information exchange. The analyst can then disseminate information and intelligence reports and/or bulletins within the Department and to other law enforcement agencies.

400.2.2 CRIME REPORTS
A crime report may be completed by any patrol officer who receives criminal information. The report will be processed and forwarded to the appropriate division(s) for retention or follow-up investigation.

400.2.3 PATROL LINE-UPS
Patrol supervisors, detectives, and special unit officers are encouraged to share information as much as possible. All supervisors and/or officers will be provided an opportunity to share information at the daily patrol Line-ups as time permits.

400.2.4 BULLETIN BOARDS
A bulletin board will be kept in the Line-up room and the Criminal Investigations Division for display of suspect information, intelligence reports and photographs.

400.3 WATCH RELIEF
(a) Patrol beat officers shall stay on their beats until ten minutes prior to the end of shift.

(b) Officers arriving at headquarters shall keep the radio in operation for the purpose of receiving emergency dispatching. An officer awaiting relief at headquarters shall respond to any priority radio call dispatched.
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400.4 CROWDS, EVENTS AND GATHERINGS
Officers may encounter gatherings of people, including but not limited to, civil demonstrations, civic, social and business events, public displays, parades and sporting events. Officers should monitor such events as time permits in an effort to keep the peace and protect the safety and rights of those present. A patrol supervisor should be notified when it becomes reasonably foreseeable that such an event may require increased monitoring, contact or intervention.

Officers responding to an event or gathering that warrants law enforcement involvement should carefully balance the speech and association rights of those present with applicable public safety concerns before taking enforcement action.

Generally, officers should consider seeking compliance through advisements and warnings for minor violations and should reserve greater enforcement options for more serious violations or when voluntary compliance with the law is not achieved.

Officers are encouraged to contact organizers or responsible persons to seek voluntary compliance that may address relevant public safety/order concerns.

Officers should consider enforcement of applicable state and local laws, such as Penal Code 602.1 (obstructing or intimidating business operators), when the activity blocks the entrance or egress of a facility or location and when voluntary compliance with the law is not achieved.

400.5 RESCINDED POLICY

400.6 POLICY
The San Leandro Police Department provides patrol services 24 hours a day, seven days a week and will prioritize responses to requests for emergency services using available resources to enhance the safety of the public and department members.

400.7 FUNCTION
Patrol will generally be conducted by uniformed officers in clearly marked law enforcement vehicles in assigned jurisdictional areas of San Leandro. The function of patrol is to respond to calls for assistance and reports of criminal activity, act as a deterrent to crime, enforce state and local laws, identify community needs, provide support and assistance to the community and respond to emergencies.

Patrol services include, but are not limited to:

(a) Responding to emergency calls for service.

(b) Apprehending criminal offenders.

(c) Providing mutual aid and assistance to other agencies for emergency and law enforcement-related activities.

(d) Preventing criminal acts, traffic violations and collisions, maintaining public order and discovering hazardous situations or conditions.
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(e) Responding to reports of criminal and non-criminal acts.
(f) Responding to routine calls for service, such as public assistance or public safety.
(g) Carrying out crime prevention activities such as residential inspections, business inspections and community presentations.
(h) Carrying out community oriented policing and problem-solving activities including the application of resources to improve or resolve specific problems or situations and contacting or assisting members of the public in a positive way.
(i) Directing and controlling traffic.