

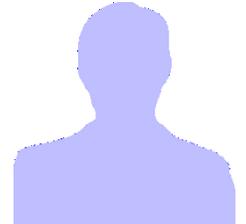
Gonzales Police Department



Gonzales Survey: Between April and August 2017, Gonzales residents responded to a **survey** offered by the Police Department to learn how policing and community relationships can be strengthened.

Survey Says: Of 2,986 mailed surveys, **340 anonymous survey responses** were returned, for a response rate of only 11%. While this low response rate does not represent the opinions of all Gonzales residents, the Police Department nonetheless appreciates and takes seriously the opinions of those who did respond. Gonzales residents said their **top three** recommendations were **need more opportunities to interact with Officers** (20% of respondents), **need better Officer customer service** (20%), and **need better responsiveness and response time** (16%).

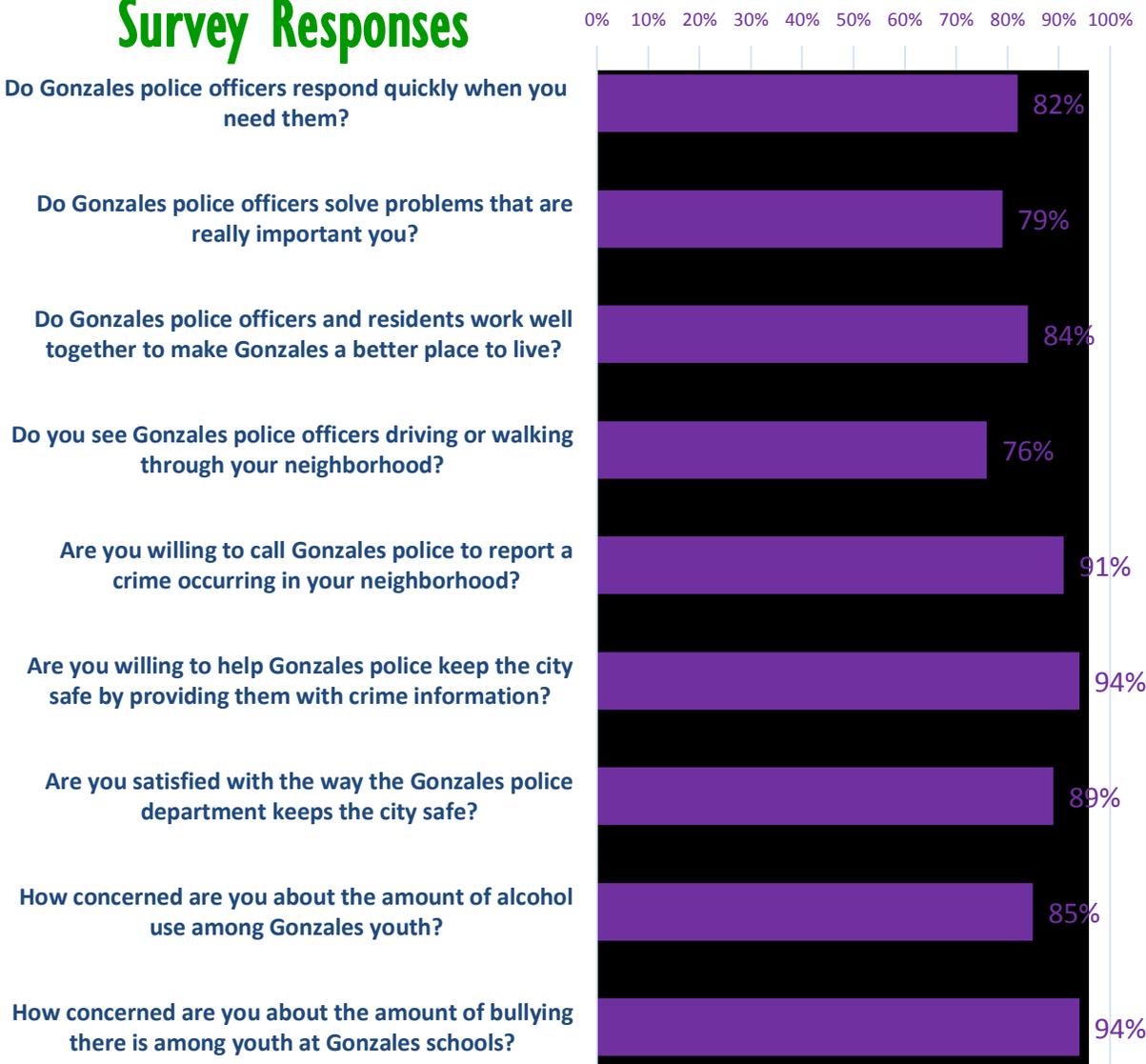
Survey Respondent:



Officers should be visible in our neighborhoods everyday. Residents would be more willing to report crimes, if they felt more comfortable with police officers. Put resource officers back in the schools so they can develop positive relationships with youth. Thank you for asking. =)



Survey Responses



For full survey results please email zerounianp@co.monterey.ca.us

*Respondents selecting "Very Often/Often" or "Very/Moderately."

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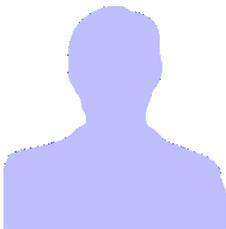


State Grant for South County Police Departments

Gonzales, Soledad, Greenfield, & King City received a grant to start these new programs:

- **Community Police Academies** to increase understanding of the police departments' functions.
- **Youth Diversion Program** supports and services for first time offenders and their families.
- **Police Department Communications** to inform residents of police department activities.
- **Crisis Intervention Training** and **Cultural Competency Training** for police officers.
- **Spanish Language Immersion Course** for police officers.

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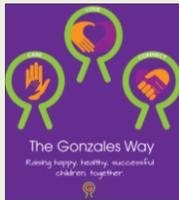
Schedule quarterly meetings with the community to discuss current issues and how the community can help. Send meeting information with the City bill, post the meeting date at the Post Office bulletin board and list the meeting dates in the local paper.

Join Gonzales Police Officers at These Community Events

- **Police Explorer Program** for youth between the ages of 15- 21 years. Learn about law enforcement and operations best practices and assist patrol staff during special events.
- **Elementary School Visits** give Officers a chance to talk with kids about personal safety and let them know we keep Gonzales safe.
- **Animal Clinics**, sponsored with the SPCA, gives families a one-stop place to vaccinate, microchip, and license their pet.
- **Dia del Niño** gives kids the opportunity to Color with a Cop, sit in a patrol car, ride in a bike rodeo, learn about pedestrian and bike safety, and a chance to win a bike.
- **Medication Disposal Drop Box in our lobby** lets you dispose of unwanted and/or expired medications, and is a great opportunity to talk with us about your concerns.
- **National Night Out**, a block party sponsored by neighborhood organizations, businesses, and Gonzales Police on the first Tuesday in August, strengthens our community safety with drug awareness and crime prevention tips.
- **Cinco de Mayo and July 4th celebrations** are annually supported by Police Officers and our Reserve Officers to assure traffic safety and event security.



For more information about these police-sponsored programs and activities, go to the Gonzales Police Facebook page at www.facebook.com/GonzalesPoliceDepartment/?rf=305743656239945



The City of Gonzales sponsors year-round community events, health and wellness activities, recreation, and enrichment programs for children, teens, parents, seniors, and families. **The Gonzales Way** is your opportunity to love, care, and connect with our community. See <http://www.gonzalesway.org/Calendar>



<p>Gonzales Property Crime Rate is 40% Lower than California</p>		<p>Gonzales Robbery Crime Rate is 65% Lower than California</p>
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Gonzales PD currently has **13** sworn officers. The national average for our population is **21** officers

